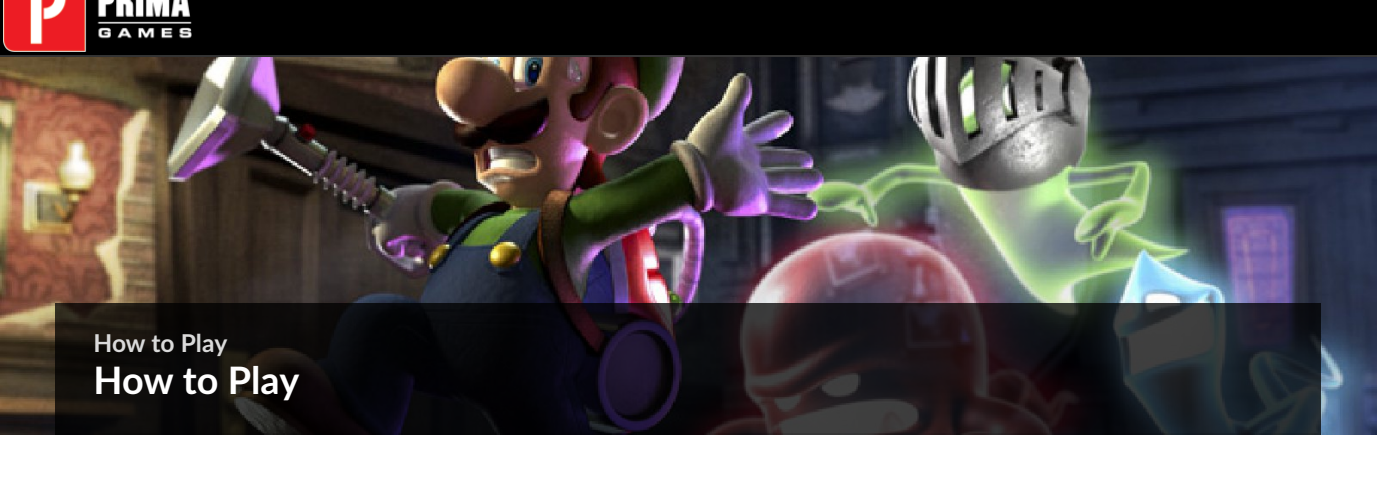

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The Basics

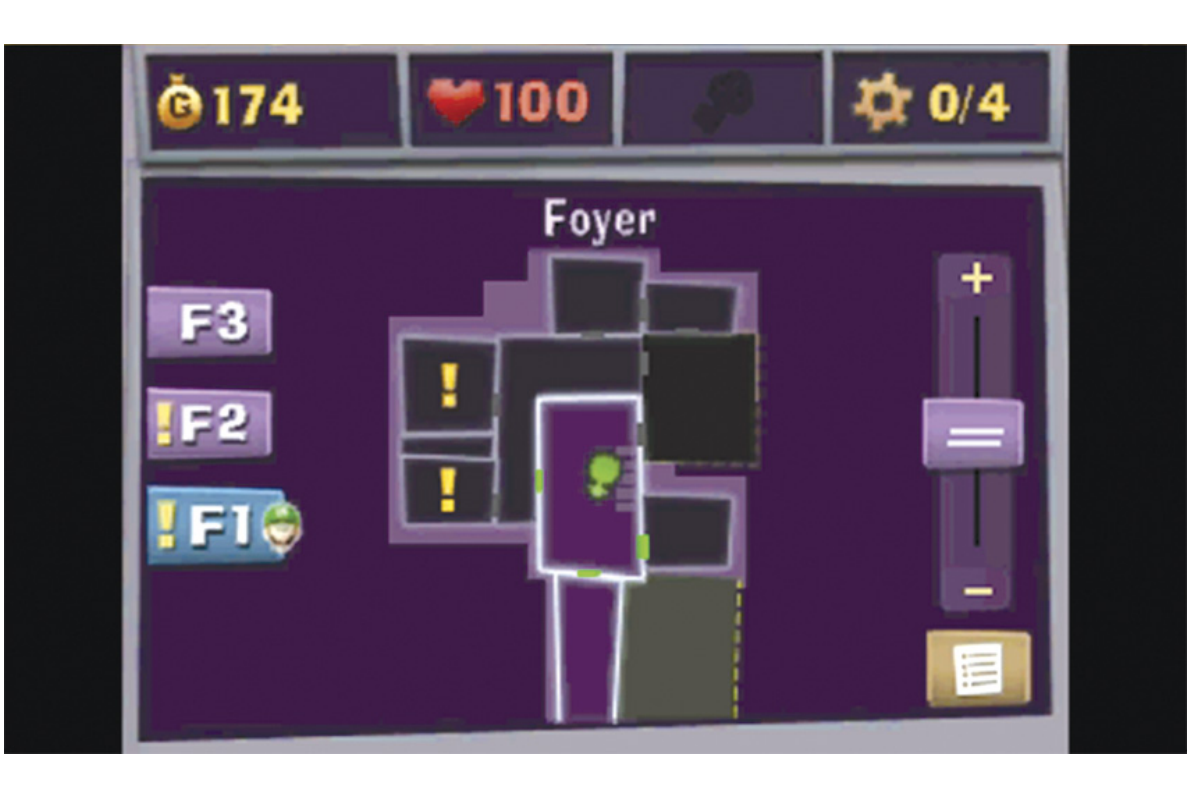
Touch Screen

All of the action may take place on the 3D Screen, but the Touch Screen is an invaluable tool. During a mission, tap the button in the Touch Screen's lower-right corner to toggle between a map of the area and a list of your objectives.

No matter which mode you choose during a mission, the four boxes at the top of the Touch Screen always display the same information:

- The amount of treasure collected during the mission
- Your current health
- Any Keys in your possession
- 0n-specific items (if any)

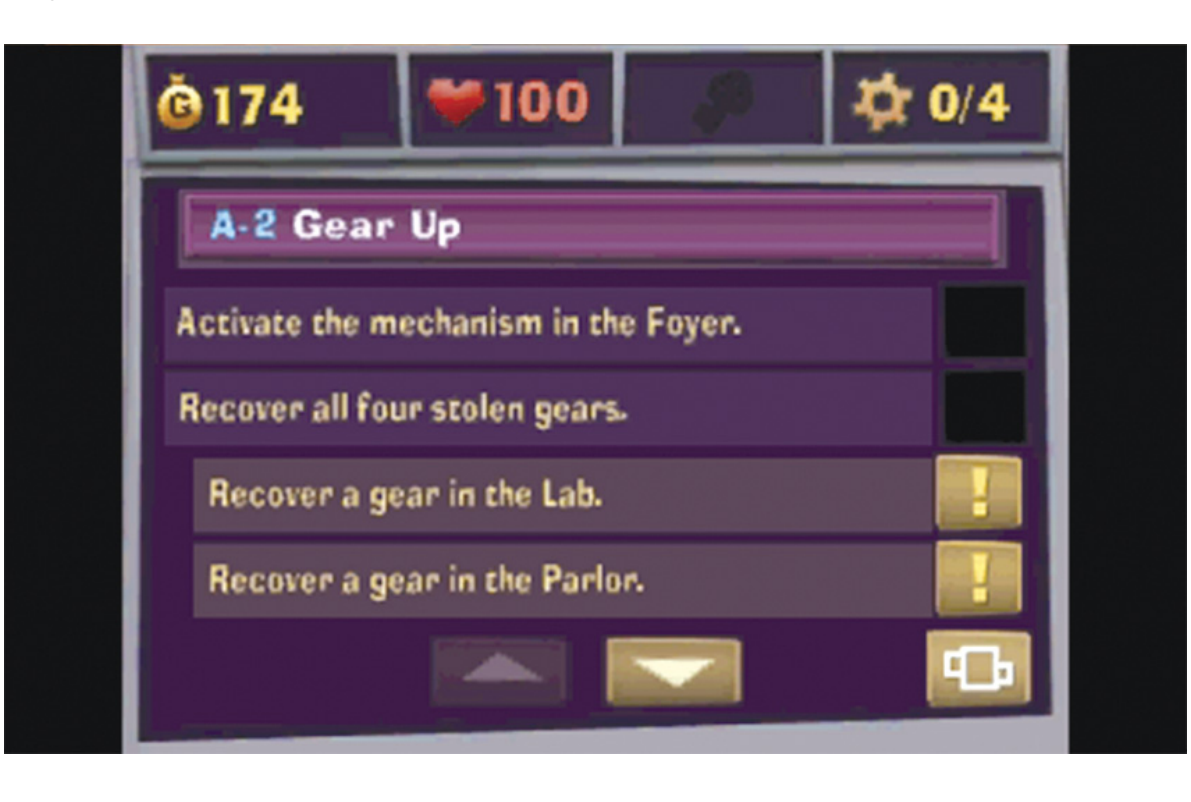
Touch Screen Map



By default, the Touch Screen map displays your current location and a fair amount of the surrounding areas. When you tap a displayed room, its name appears at the top of the Touch Screen. Swipe the screen to drag off-screen areas into view. Use the slider along the right side of the screen to adjust the size of the displayed area, and tap the tabs along the left side of the screen to display a different level of the mansion.

Current objectives are marked with exclamation points, and each door is color-coded to indicate its status. Green doors are unlocked, red doors are locked, and gray doors have not yet been discovered. As you complete missions within a mansion, more of that mansion's map can be displayed on the Touch Screen.

Objectives List



A-2 Gear Up

Activate the mechanism in the Foyer.

Recover all four stolen gears.

Recover a gear in the Lab.

Recover a gear in the Parlor.

When the objectives list is active, the Touch Screen displays your current mission and up to four of your known objectives. Tap the arrows at the bottom of the screen to scroll up and down through the list. If an exclamation point appears next to an objective, it means the objective has been marked on the Touch Screen map.

Game Modes

Dark Moon Quest

The Dark Moon Quest is the game's single-player campaign. In this game mode, you must recover the Dark Moon pieces scattered throughout Evershade Valley. Progress through the Dark Moon Quest to unlock new missions, gadgets, upgrades, and story elements.

ScareScraper

The ScareScraper is the game's cooperative multi-player mode. Select this game mode to team up with other ghost hunters and complete objectives on randomly generated maps. As you progress through a ScareScraper game, you and your partners can earn new equipment and upgrades to help you reach the top of the tower.

The Bunker

Protected from the chaos of Evershade Valley, the Bunker serves as Professor E. Gadd's command center. Each time you complete a mission, Professor E. Gadd uses his network of Pixelators to transport you to this safe haven. Use the monitors within the Bunker to access the E. Gadd's Vault, select available Dark Moon Quest missions, or create a ScareScraper for a multi-player game.

E. Gadd's Vault

Each time you return to the bunker, all of the treasure, ghosts, and Gems you collected during the mission are deposited in E. Gadd's Vault. Visit the vault to review your progress.

Treasure

All of the treasure you've managed to collect is stored at the back of the vault. The screen displays the exact value of the nearby treasure pile.

Ghost Container

Most of the enemies you capture are stored in the Ghost Container. Select this device to get a closer look at your defeated foes and to learn a little more about each enemy.

Gem Collection

All of the Gems you track down are placed in the Gem Collection. Select this device to review your progress.

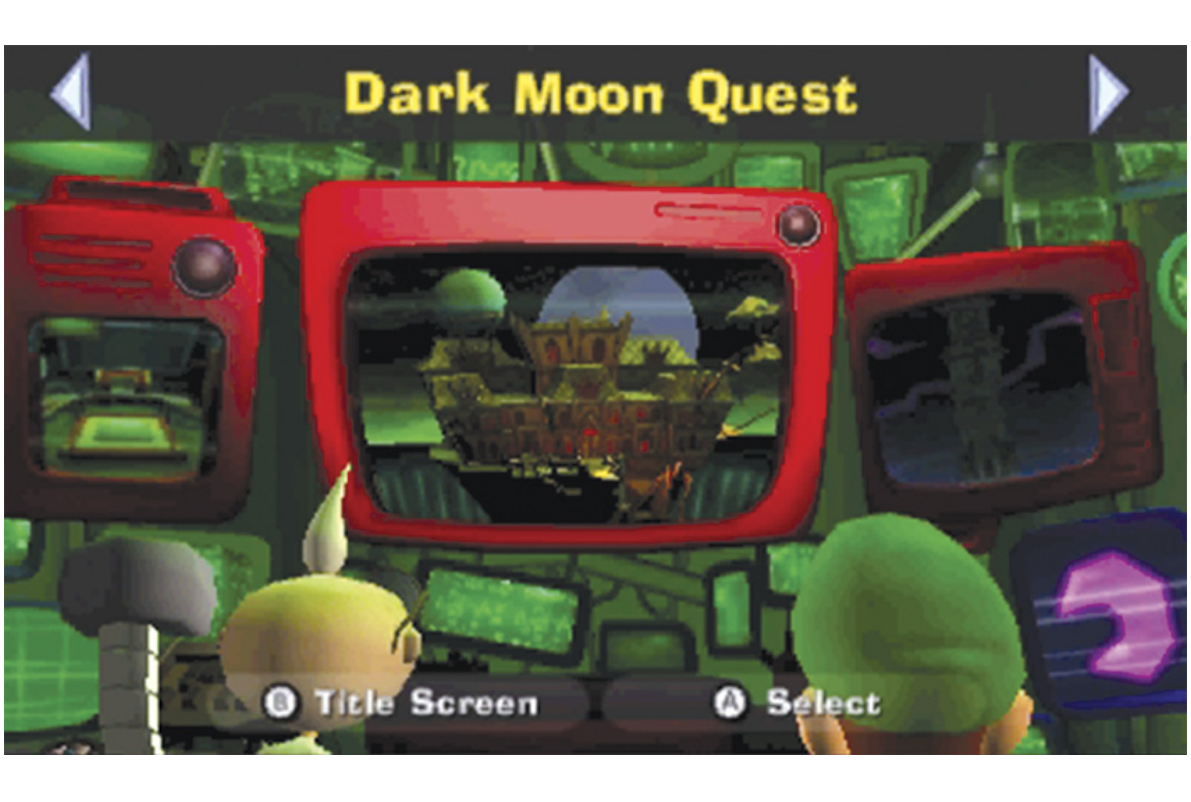
Unlockables

As you unlock new upgrades, the Unlockables device records your progress.

Boo Canister

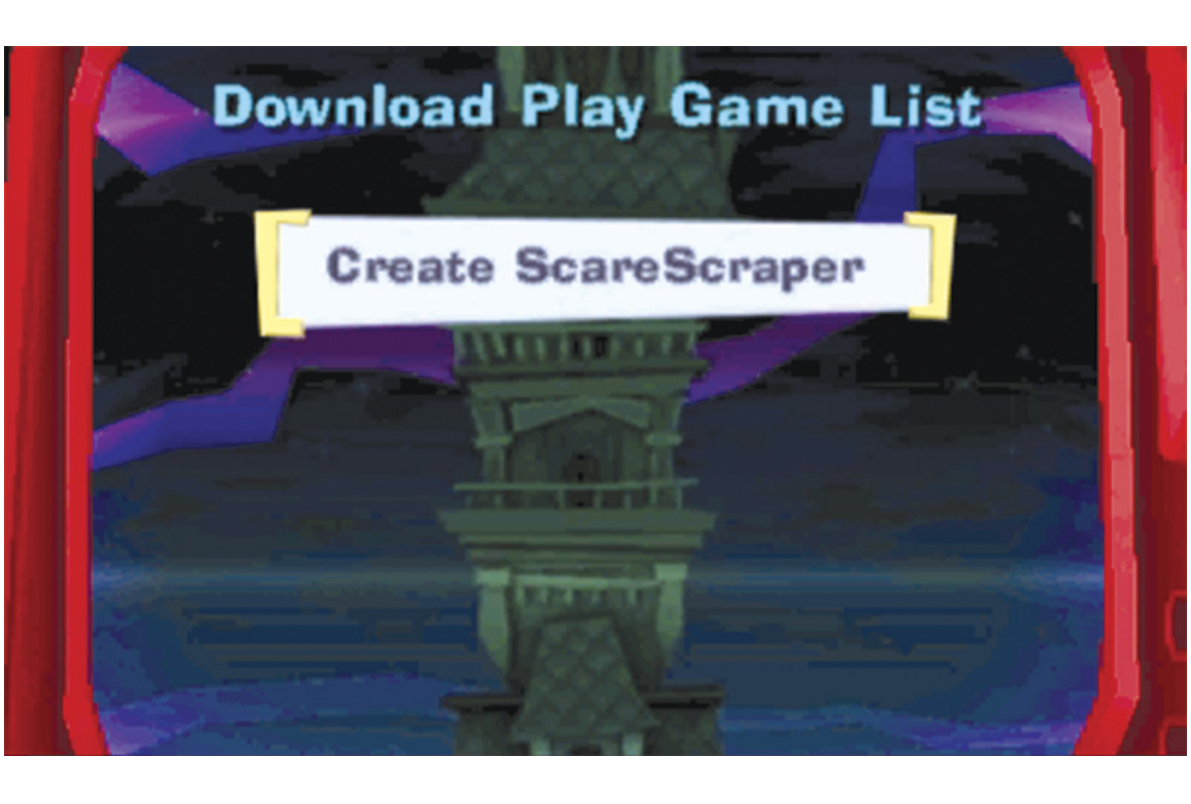
Boos are so troublesome, they're kept separate from the other ghosts. Use the Boo Canister to view all of the Boos you've managed to capture.

Dark Moon Quest



Use the Dark Moon Quest monitor to select available missions, or to review mission descriptions, performance ratings, and which Boos you've managed to collect.

ScareScraper



The ScareScraper monitor allows you to create a custom ScareScraper, or to join a ScareScraper created by another player. Use this monitor whenever you're in the mood for some multi-player fun.

Essential Items

Treasure

Each mansion is packed with treasure, and you'll want to collect as much as possible. You'll find plenty of treasure lying around each mansion, but a thorough search of each area can reveal some impressive treasure stashes. You can also earn treasure by solving optional puzzles and performing well during combat.

When you've collected enough treasure, Professor E. Gadd automatically uses it to upgrade your equipment.

Gold Bones

When your treasure-count is over 200, you have a chance to find a gold bone. If you notice you've collected enough treasure, search available containers until you receive your reward. Once you've earned a gold bone, it has a way of finding you.

When you collect a gold bone, it appears near the treasure-count on the Touch Screen. If you lose all of your health while holding a gold bone, the gold bone disappears and you're automatically revived. If you manage to complete the mission while holding a gold bone, it increases your final treasure count by 200

Gems

Each mansion contains 13 Gems for you to find. Some Gems are in plain sight, but many of them must be earned by solving puzzles and completing bonus challenges. When you collect all 13 of a mansion's Gems, a special statue is added to your Gem Collection back at the Bunker.

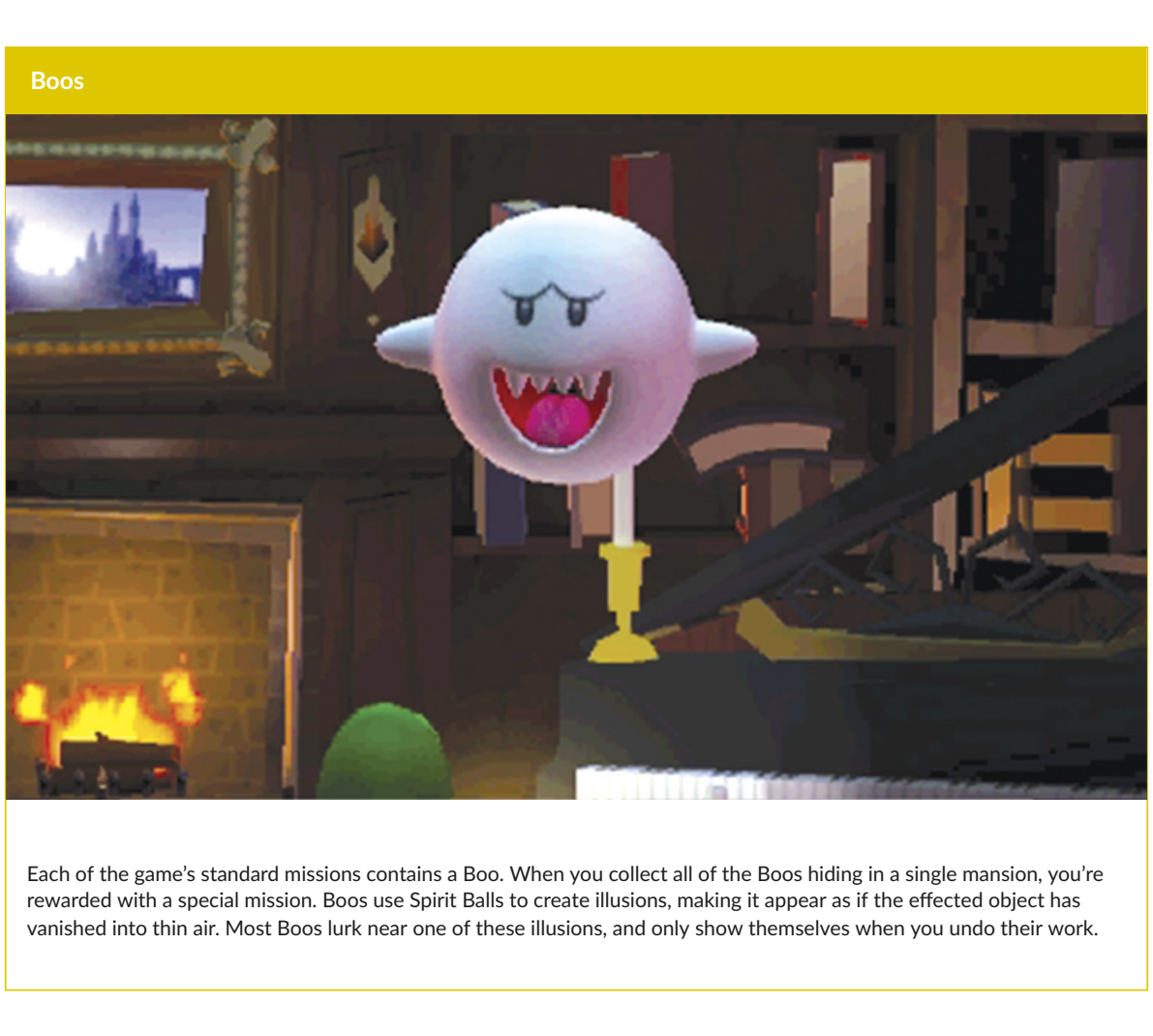
Hearts

Collect Hearts to replenish lost health. Hearts usually only appear when you need them. When you're low on health, search objects and defeat enemies for a chance to earn a Heart.

Keys

Keys allow you to open locked doors that often appear during missions. When you collect a Key, it appears in a box at the top of the Touch Screen. When a red door is marked on the Touch Screen map, you must track down a Key to open it.

Boos



Each of the game's standard missions contains a Boo. When you collect all of the Boos hiding in a single mansion, you're rewarded with a special mission. Boos use Spirit Balls to create illusions, making it appear as if the effected object has vanished into thin air. Most Boos lurk near one of these illusions, and only show themselves when you undo their work.

Missions

The missions that make up the Dark Moon Quest fall into three basic categories: standard missions, boss encounters, and invasion-based missions.

Standard Missions

When using the Dark Moon Quest monitor, you can identify a standard mission by the letter/number designation near the mission title. These missions generally require that you explore new areas, solve puzzles, and battle enemies in order to complete a series of objectives. Each standard mission also contains a unique Boo, which must be captured before you can access the mansion's invasion-based mission.

Boss Encounters

You can identify a boss encounter by the skull icon near the mission title. Boss encounters are limited to specific areas in each mansion, so exploration does not play a large role in these missions. Most boss encounters are divided into three distinct phases, during which you battle some type of Possessor. You must complete a boss encounter to collect the related Dark Moon piece and gain access to the next mansion.

Invasion-Based Missions

You can identify an invasion-based mission by the ghost icon near the mission title. Unlike the other mission types, invasion-based missions aren't automatically unlocked as you progress through the game. To access a mansion's invasion-based mission, you must first collect all of the Boos from the mansion's standard missions and complete the mansion's boss encounter.

Mission Ratings

When you complete a mission, you're awarded a rating of up to three stars based on your performance. The rating you receive is determined by a number of factors, all of which are summarized before you return to the Bunker:

- Clear Time: Complete the mission as quickly as possible to lower your clear time.
- Ghosts Captured: With the exception of boss encounters, it's best to capture as many ghosts as you can find.
- Hearts Lost: Avoid taking damage to keep this number as low as possible.
- Treasure: Perform well during combat and seek out secret treasure stashes to earn as much treasure as you can.

Favoring one factor over all others is likely to hurt your final rating. For example, searching every container in every room will increase your clear time dramatically, whereas rushing through a mission can cause you to miss most of the available treasure. It's usually best to adopt a play-style that accommodates all of these factors.

Tools of the Trade

When you start the Dark Moon Quest, you're not particularly well equipped. As you track down various devices, however, you'll find yourself more than a match for even the toughest ghost.

Equipment

Flashlight

The Flashlight helps you navigate dark areas. This trusty piece of equipment switches on when no other devices are being used.

Poltergust 5000

The Poltergust 5000 is a versatile piece of equipment, and one of the best tools a ghost hunter could want. The Poltergust's vacuum mode allows you to collect items, move a variety of objects, and—most importantly—capture ghosts. Use the Poltergust's blower mode to launch projectiles, clear debris from the nozzle, or simply push items out of your path.

Both of the Poltergust's modes can be used to spin rotors, but the mode you choose determines the direction in which the rotor spins.

Strobulb

The Strobulb emits a bright flash capable of stunning most enemies. Most enemies are only vulnerable while stunned, so the Strobulb plays an important role in ghost hunting. Outside of combat, the Strobulb can be used to activate the green circular panels located throughout the game.

Dark-Light Device

The Dark-Light Device allows you see through illusions. Use this nifty piece of equipment to draw the Spirit Balls out of hidden objects, and to reveal the items trapped within the framed sketches located throughout the game. The Dark-Light Device also reveals invisible ghosts, spectral trails, and secret clues.

Upgrades

Professor E. Gadd uses the treasure you collect to upgrade your equipment. These upgrades are a big help, so make treasure hunting a priority until you've unlocked all of them.

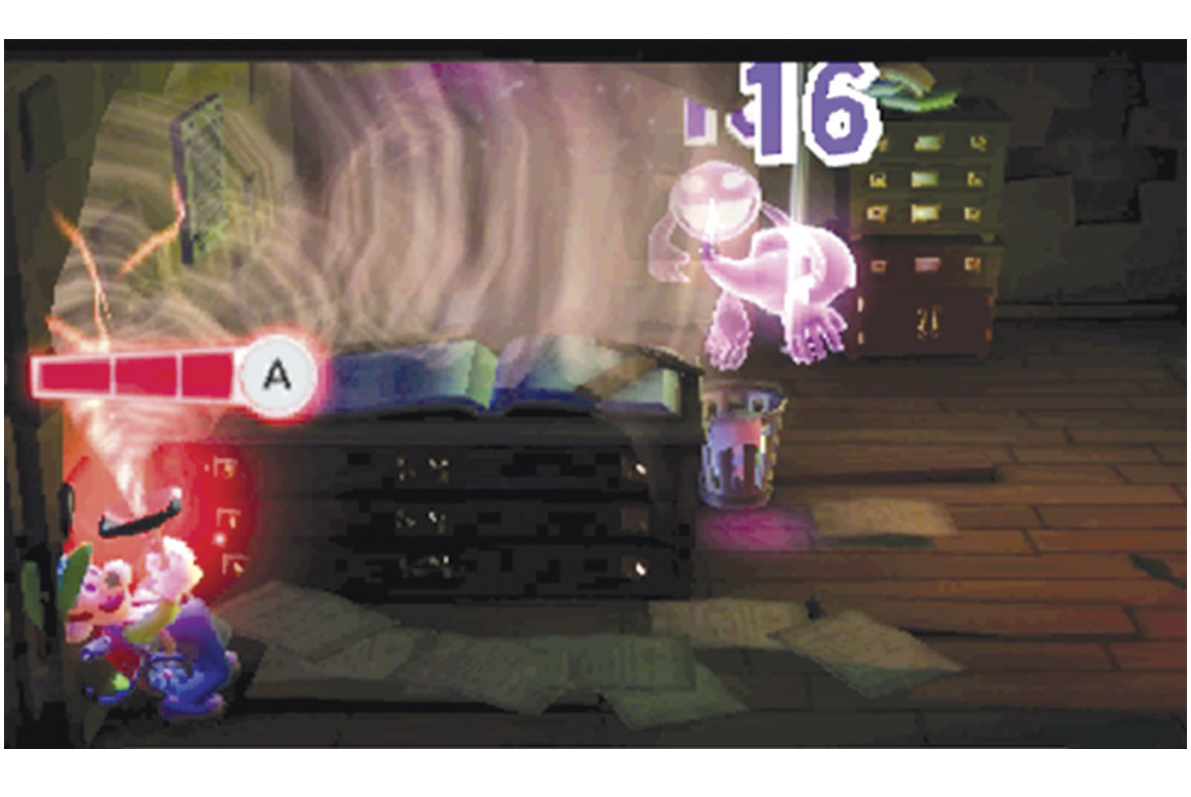
Power Gauge Upgrades

Power Gauge upgrades increase the length of your Power Gauge, allowing you to charge more powerful A-Pulls. This is a great help in dealing with tougher enemies, but it's also very handy for collecting treasure. When you use a fully charged A-Pull to capture a struggling ghost, you'll usually receive a nice treasure reward.

Dark Light Upgrades

Dark Light upgrades increase the amount of Dark Energy you can store, which in turn increases the amount of time the Dark-Light Device can be used without recharging. These upgrades make it much easier to follow spectral trails and search for invisible ghosts.

Super Poltergust



The Super Poltergust increases the speed at which your Power Gauge fills. This allows you to perform more A-Pulls in less time. Wether you're facing a group of enemies or one particularly durable ghost, the Super Poltergust gives you a big advantage in battle.

Note

Each available upgrade is automatically unlocked when E. Gadd's Vault contains the required amount of treasure.

Available Upgrades

Upgrade	Required Treasure
Power Gauge Level 2	2000
Dark Light Level 2	4000
Power Gauge Level 3	7000
Dark Light Level 3	10000
Super Poltergust	20000

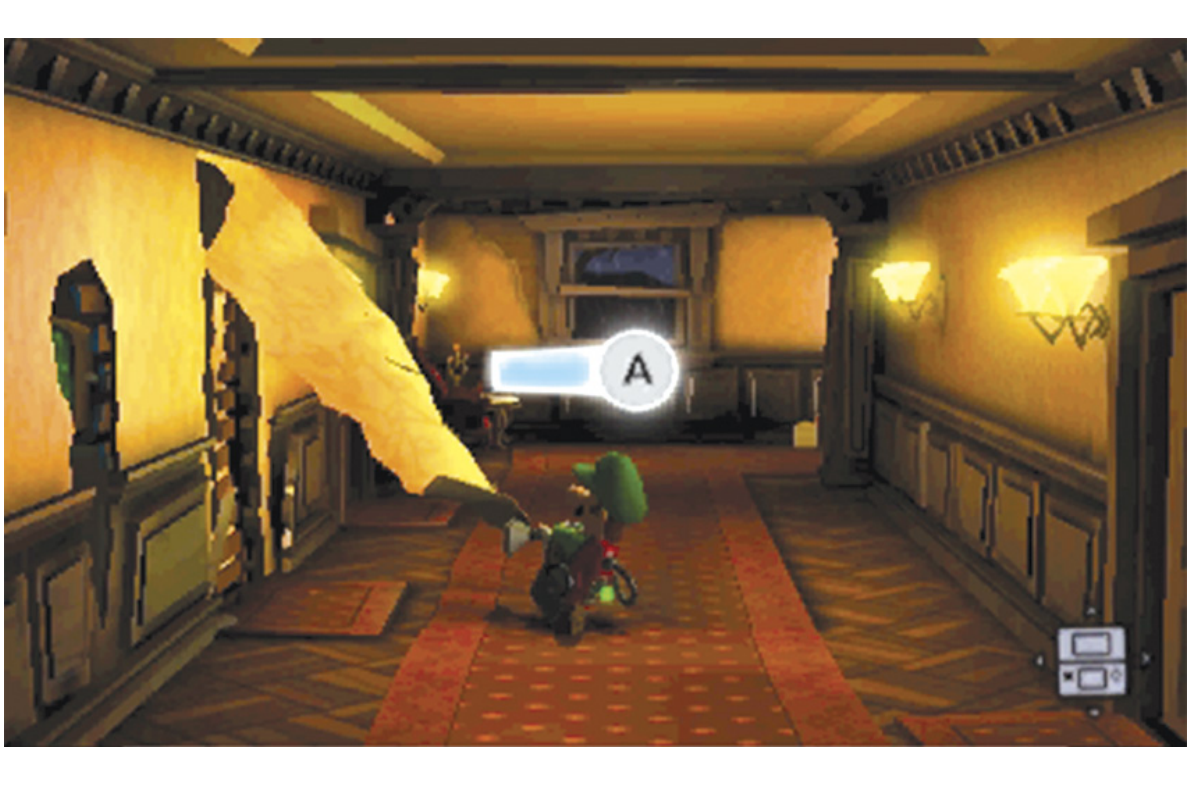
Controlling Luigi

Basic Movement

Walk	Circle Pad
Run	Circle Pad +
Look/Aim Up	
Look/Aim Down	

Using Equipment

Using the Poltergust



Hold R to use the Poltergust's vacuum mode. Hold L to use the blower mode.

To perform an A-Pull, vacuum an object or enemy, then slide the Circle Pad in the opposite direction to fill the Power Gauge. When at least one segment of the Power Gauge is full, press A to execute the A-Pull.

While the Poltergust is latched onto an enemy, press B to jump in the air and dodge incoming attacks.

Using the Strobulb

Press A to flash the Strobulb. Hold A to charge the Strobulb, then release the button to produce a larger flash.

Using the Dark-Light Device

Hold Y to use the Dark-Light Device. Release the button to allow the Dark-Light Device to recharge.

Contextual Controls

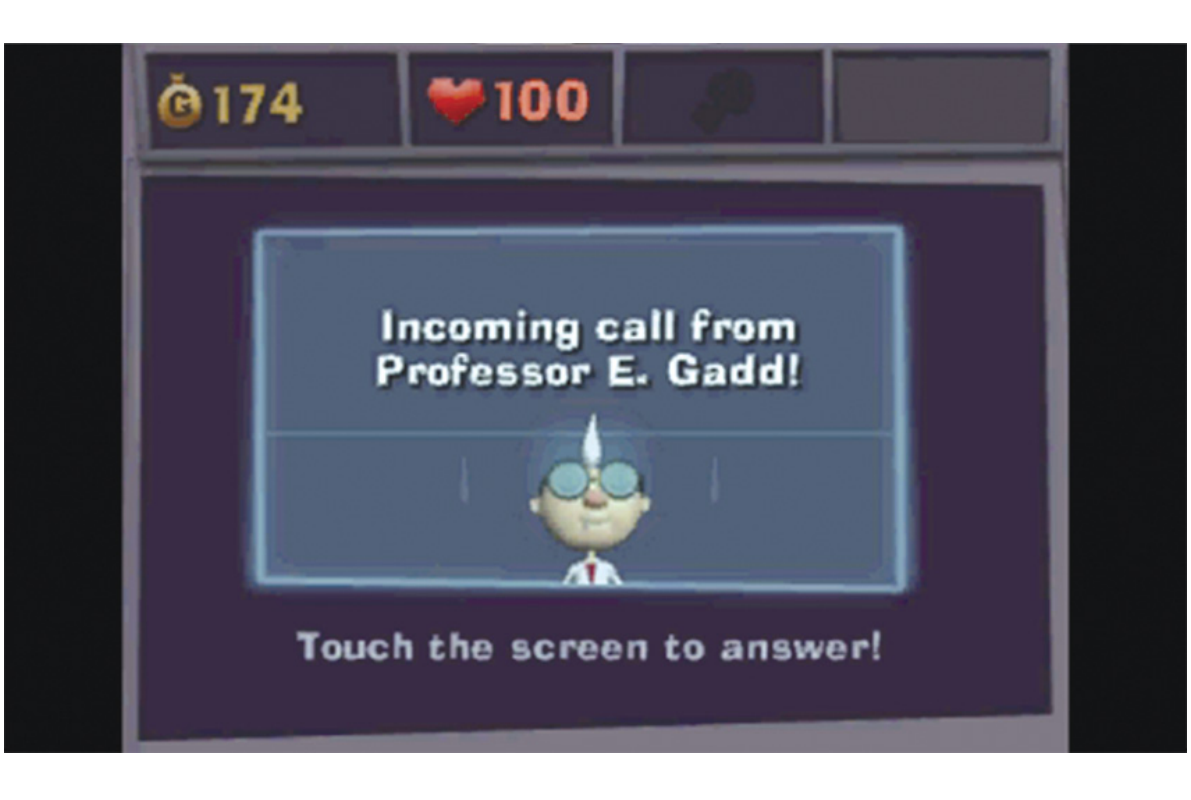
Investigate/Interact

When the X prompt appears on the screen, press X to investigate the indicated object. Depending on the object, this allows you to search containers, peek through windows, open doors, and more.

Tilt

Tilt the Nintendo 3DS System to maintain your balance as you move across narrow beams and pipes. Tilting can also be used to control the camera when you peek through walls, or to fine-tune your aim while using certain devices. When this option is available, a special icon appears in the screen's lower-right corner.

Answer Call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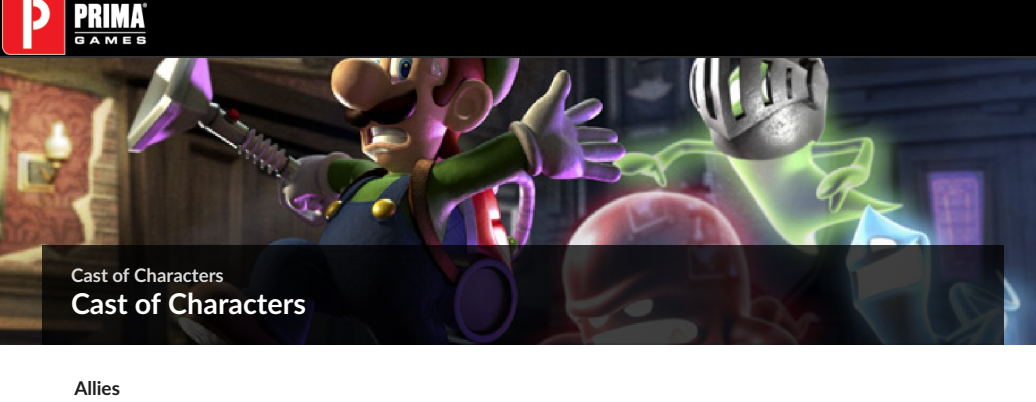
Touch the screen to answer!

When Professor E. Gadd calls you, tap the Touch Screen to answer the Duel Scream.



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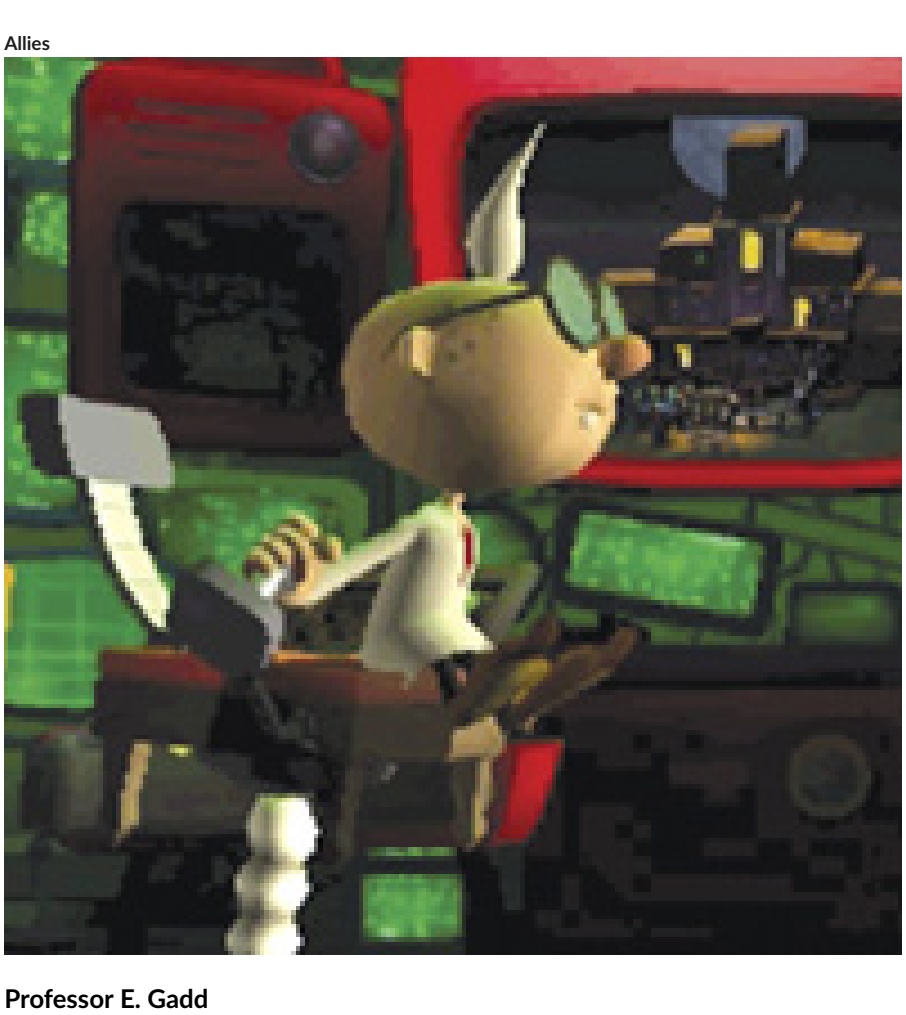
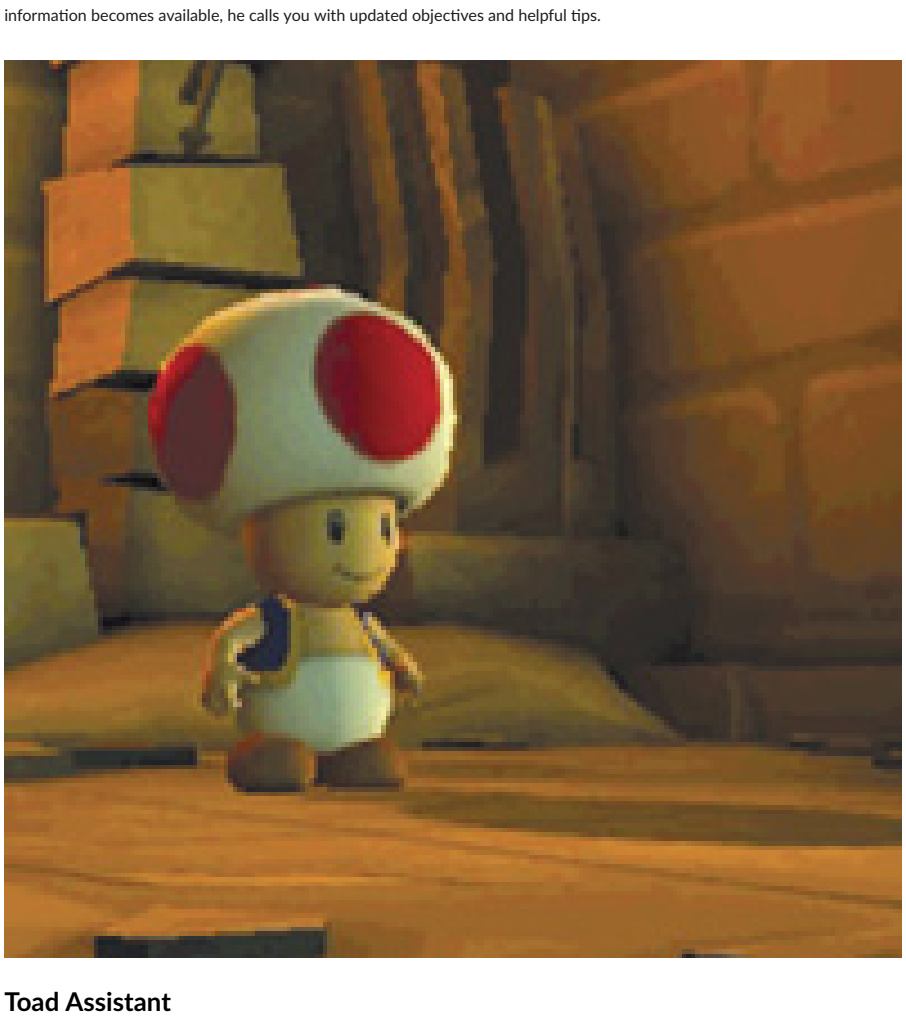
Allies



Professor E. Gadd

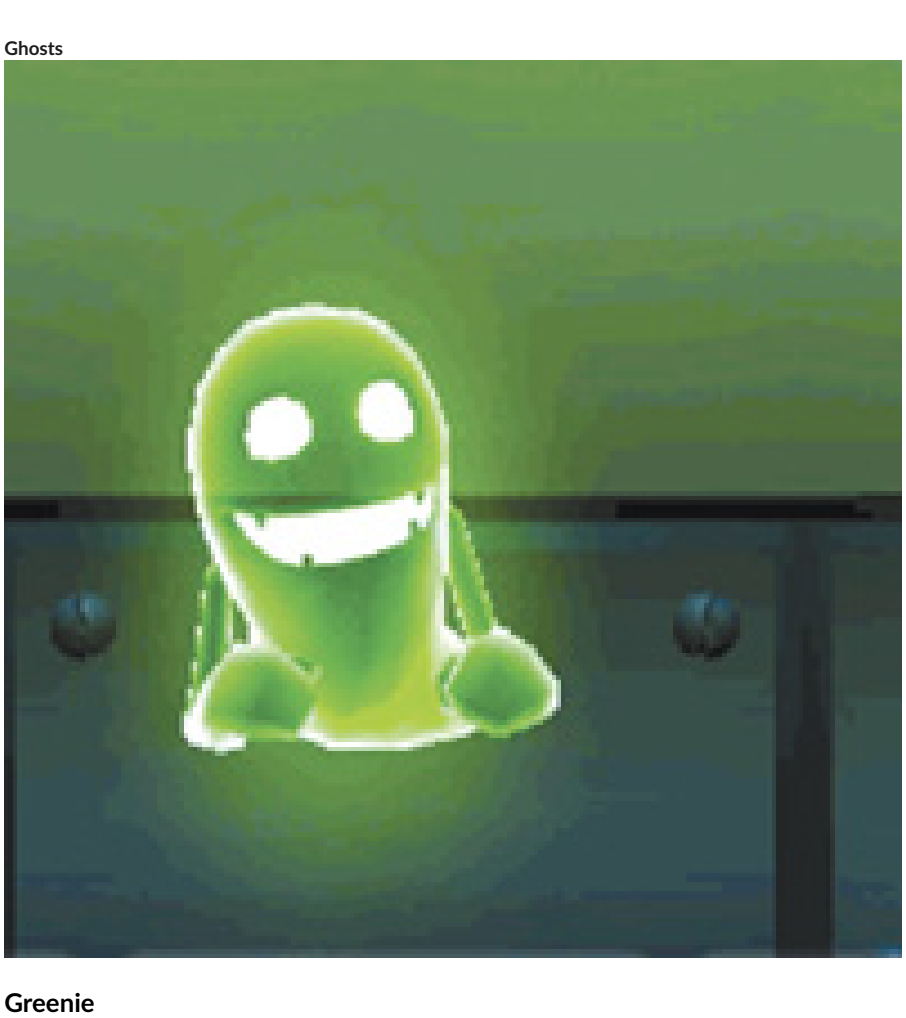
From the safety of the Bunker, Professor E. Gadd monitors the paranormal activity throughout Evershade Valley. As new information becomes available, he calls you with updated objectives and helpful tips.



Toad Assistant

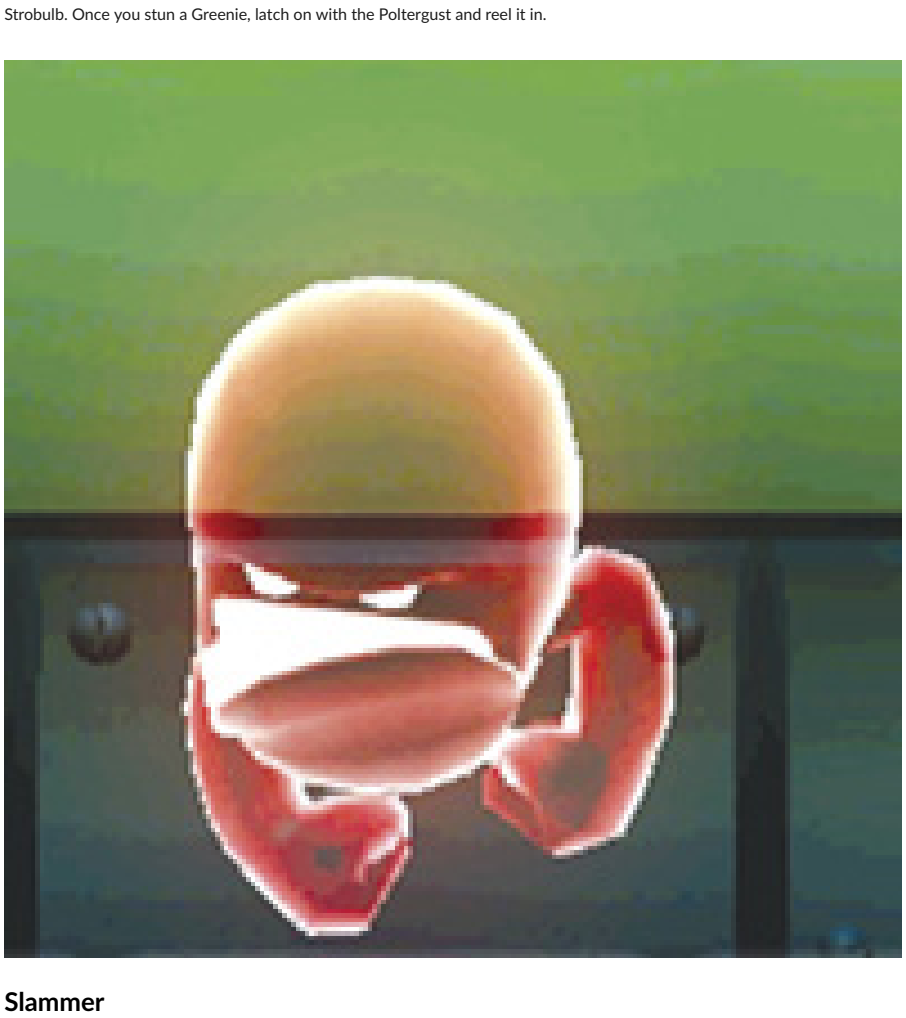
These Toad Assistants aren't much good in a fight, but they're more than happy to help you solve puzzles and collect items. Free these imprisoned Toads and see them safely to the Bunker.

Ghosts



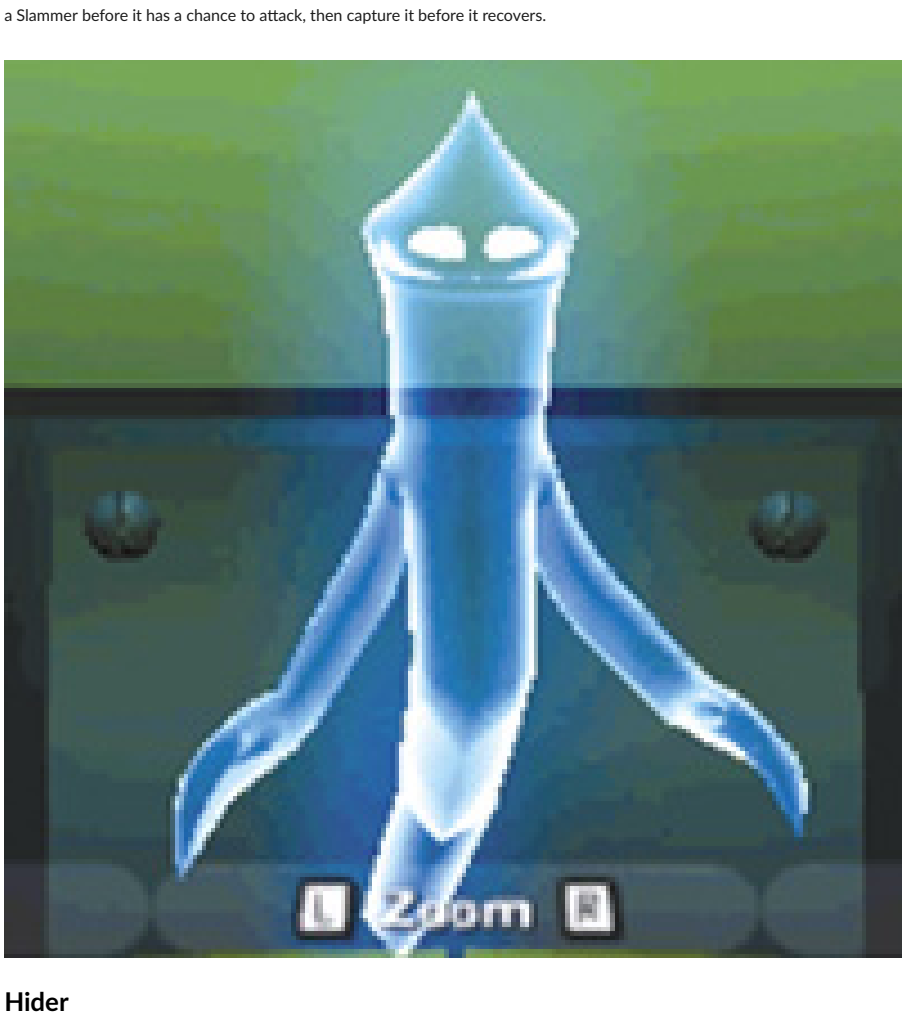
Greenie

Greenies aren't particularly strong, but they often make up for this by wielding everything from rolling pins to antique swords. If a Greenie is equipped with a weapon or a piece of armor, you must choose just the right moment to flash it with the Strobulb. Once you stun a Greenie, latch on with the Poltergust and reel it in.



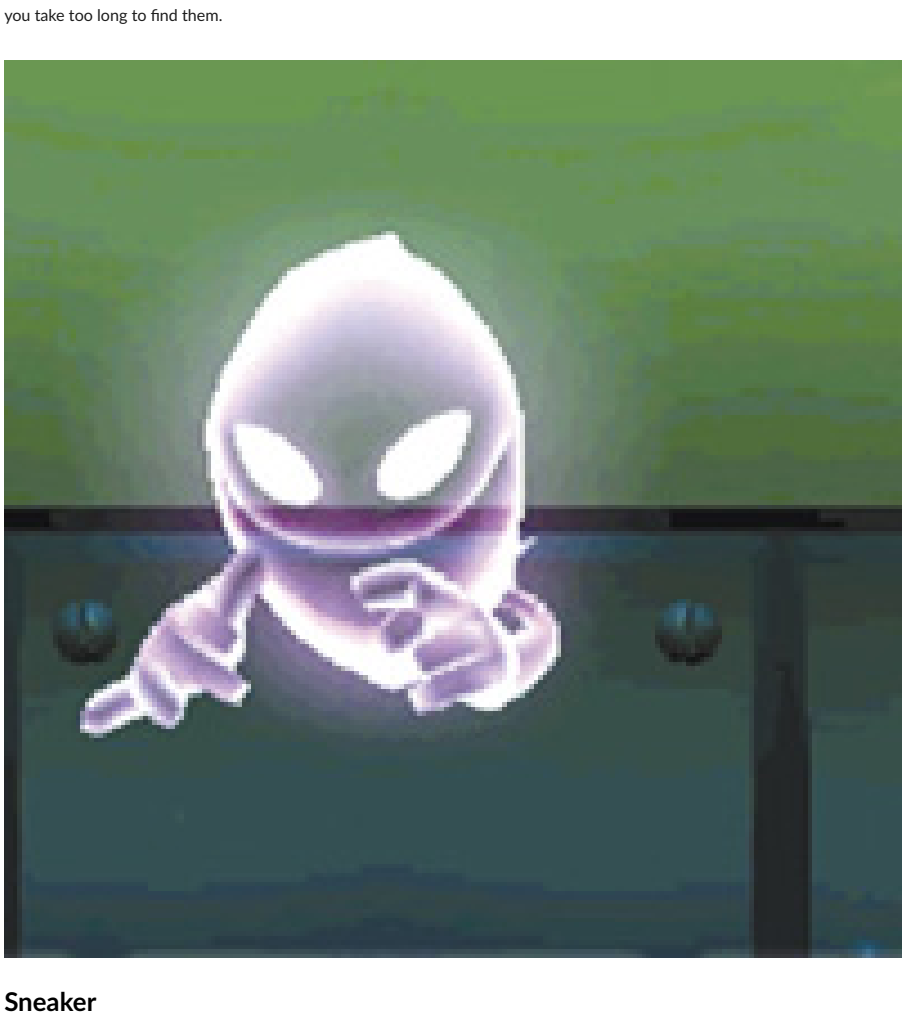
Slammer

Slammers are fairly tough, and their attacks are surprisingly difficult to dodge. Don't take any chances with these brutes—flash a Slammer before it has a chance to attack, then capture it before it recovers.



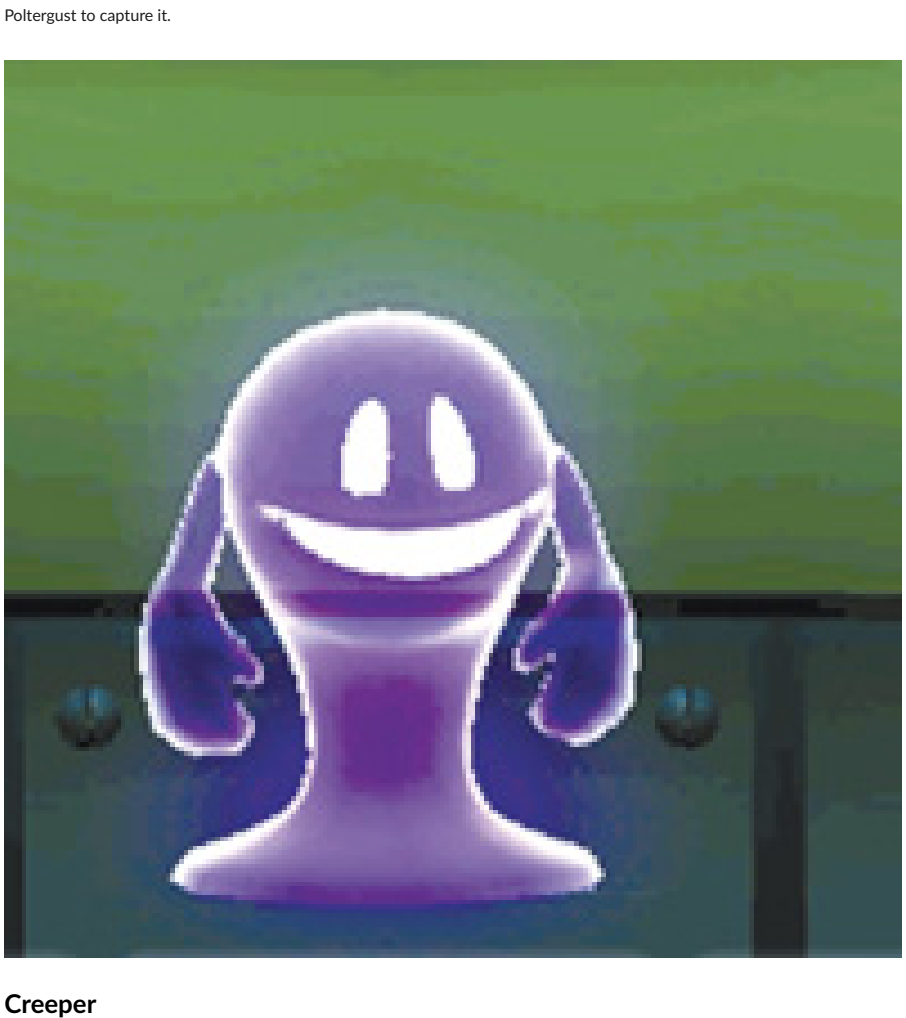
Hider

Rather than charge into battle, Hiders prefer to attack from cover. When a Hider vanishes from sight, search the surrounding containers until you find it. Flash the revealed ghost and capture it while it's stunned. Be quick! Hiders throw objects at you if you take too long to find them.



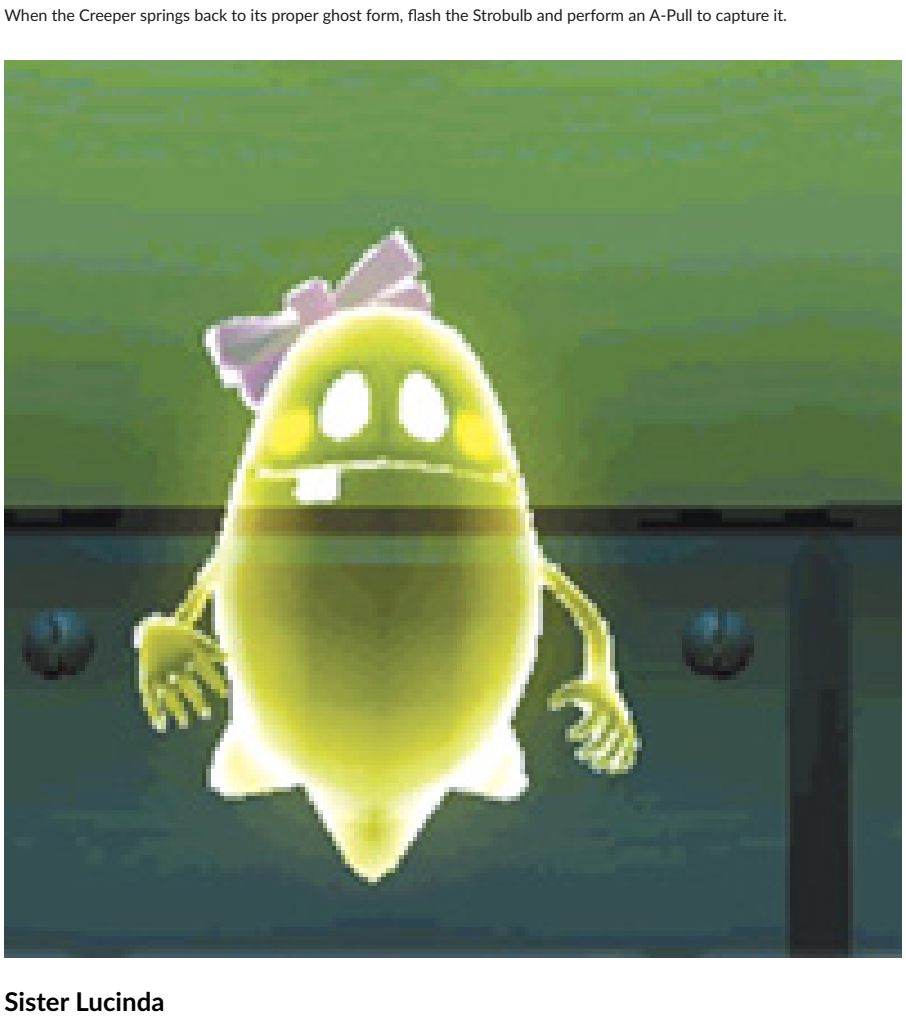
Sneaker

Sneakers are quick and clever. Once a Sneaker turns invisible, you won't usually see it again until it attacks. Use the Dark-Light Device to reveal these ghosts, or flash them before they have a chance to slip behind you. Once you stun a Sneaker, use the Poltergust to capture it.



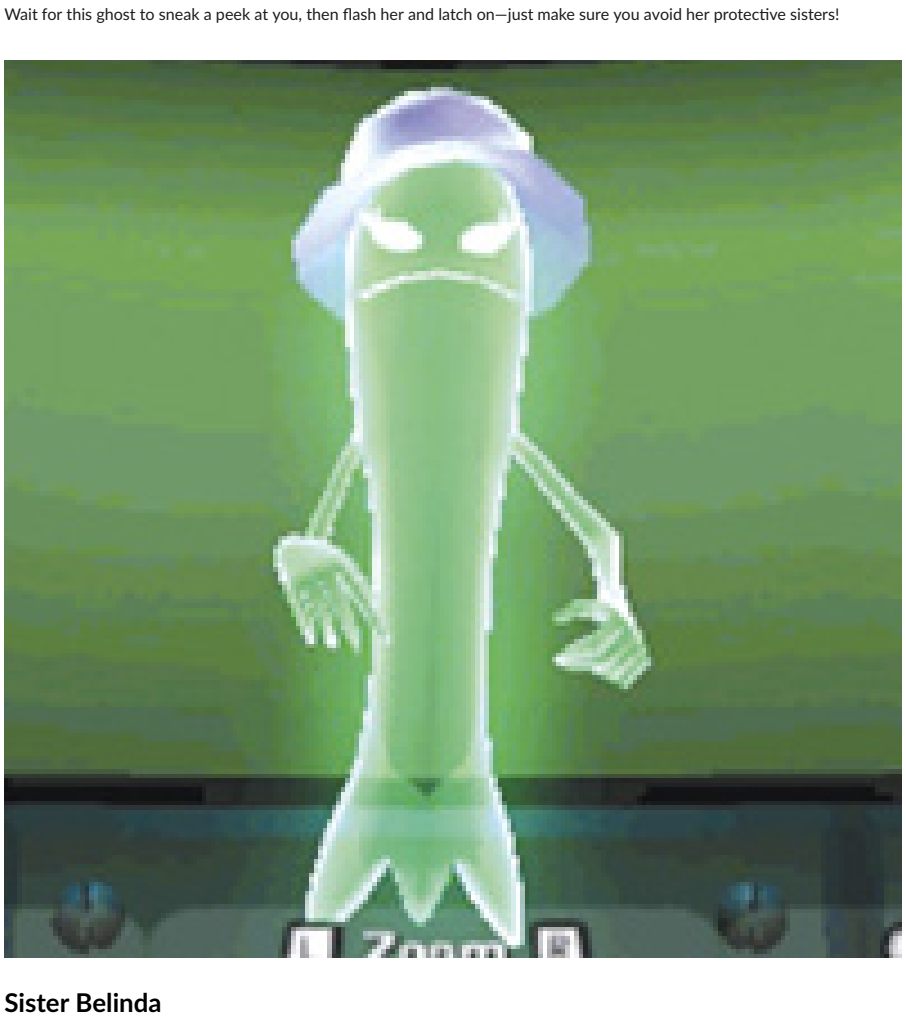
Creeper

Creepers transform into puddles and wait for you to stroll by. Once you're caught it a Creeper's trap, you must struggle to break free. Look for these ghosts on floors and ceilings. When you find one, use the Dark-Light Device to agitate the puddle. When the Creeper springs back to its proper ghost form, flash the Strobulb and perform an A-Pull to capture it.



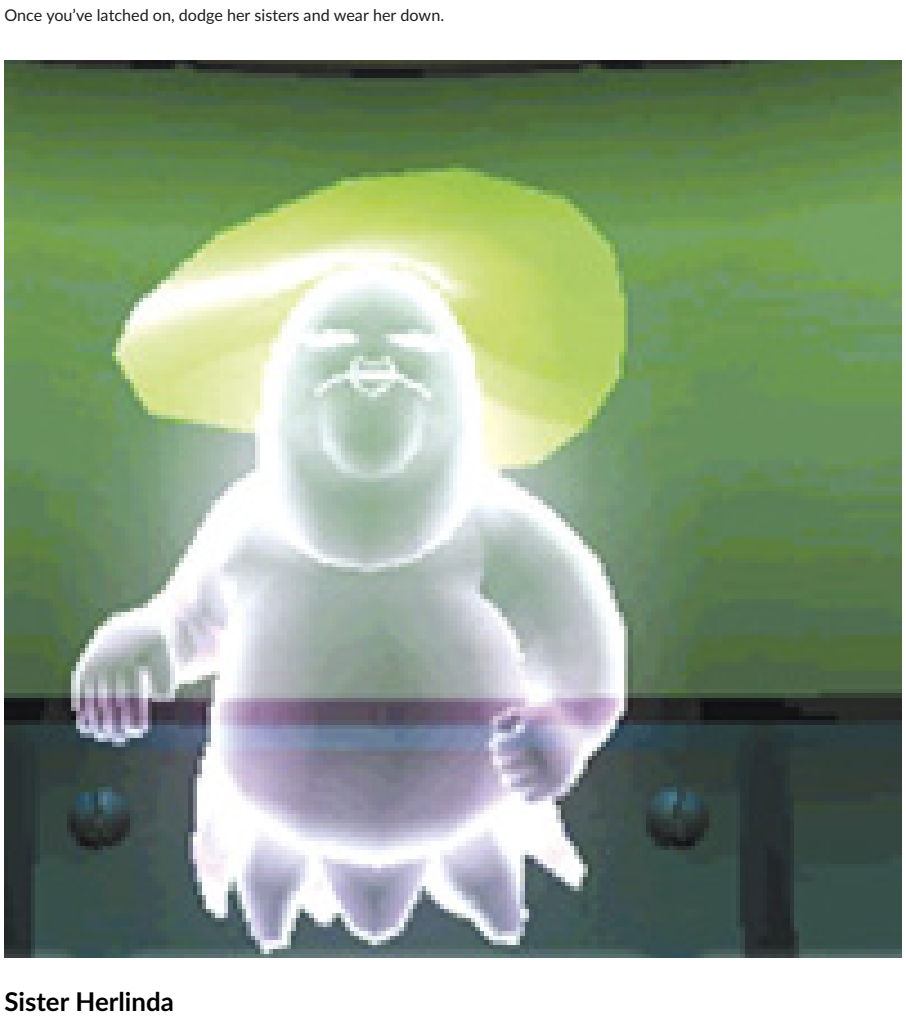
Sister Lucinda

Sister Lucinda is one of the Three Sisters that appear in B-3 Graveyard Shift. Her hand mirror protects her from the Strobulb. Wait for this ghost to sneak a peek at you, then flash her and latch on—just make sure you avoid her protective sisters!



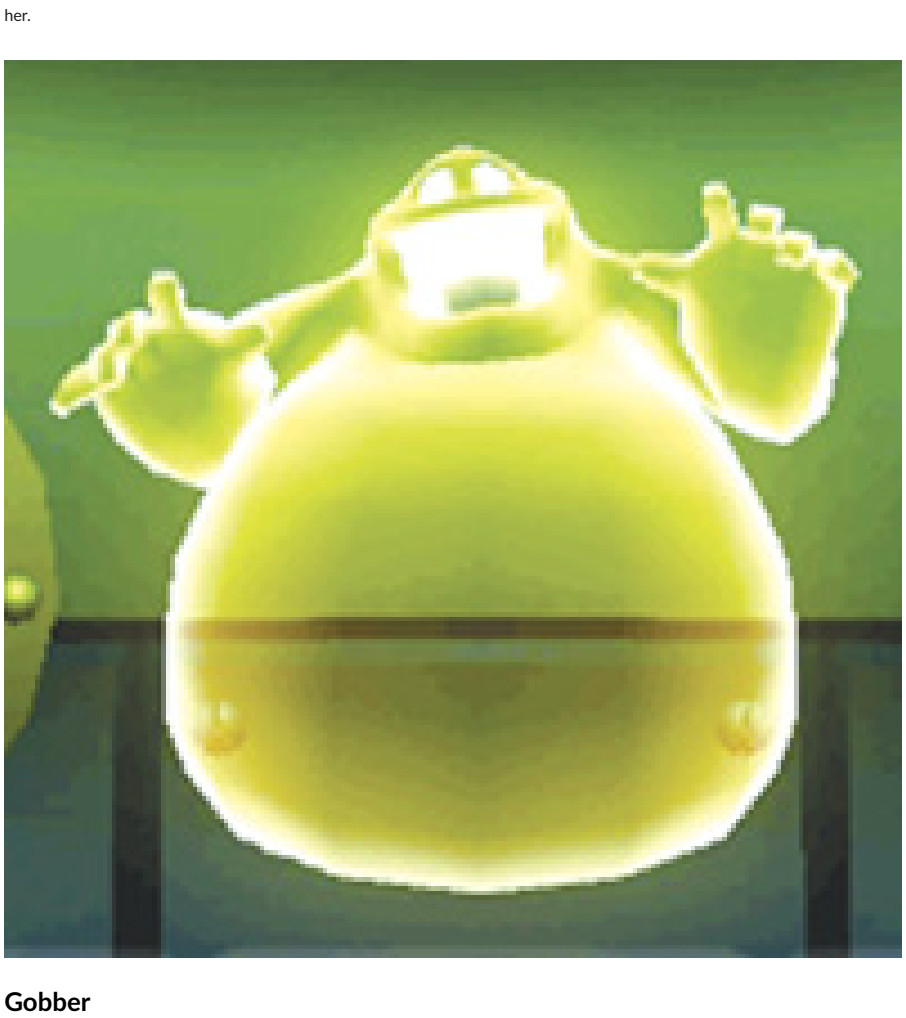
Sister Belinda

Sister Belinda is another of the Three Sisters. She behaves just like Lucinda, so use the same methods to catch her off guard. Once you've latched on, dodge her sisters and wear her down.



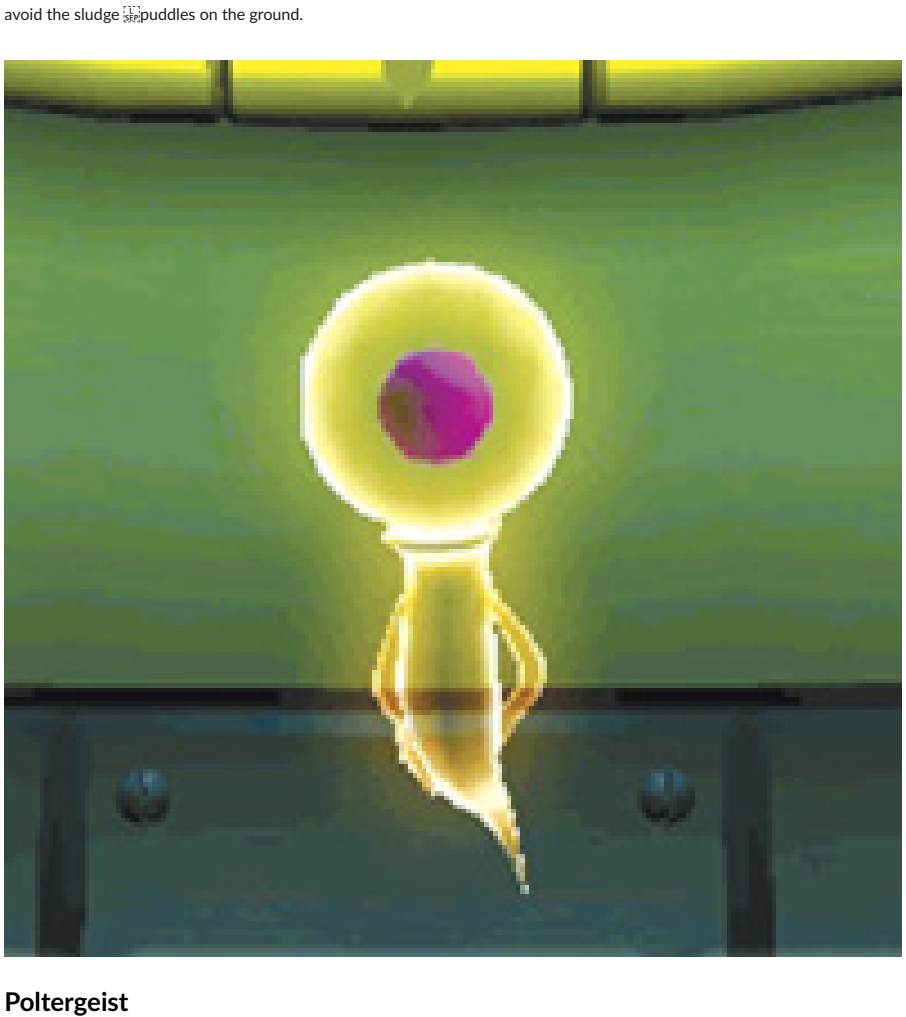
Sister Herlinda

Sister Herlinda is the last member of the Three Sisters. Like Lucinda and Belinda, she spends most of her time staring at her own reflection. Flash her whenever she moves the mirror, then latch on and dodge her sisters' attacks as you gradually weaken her.



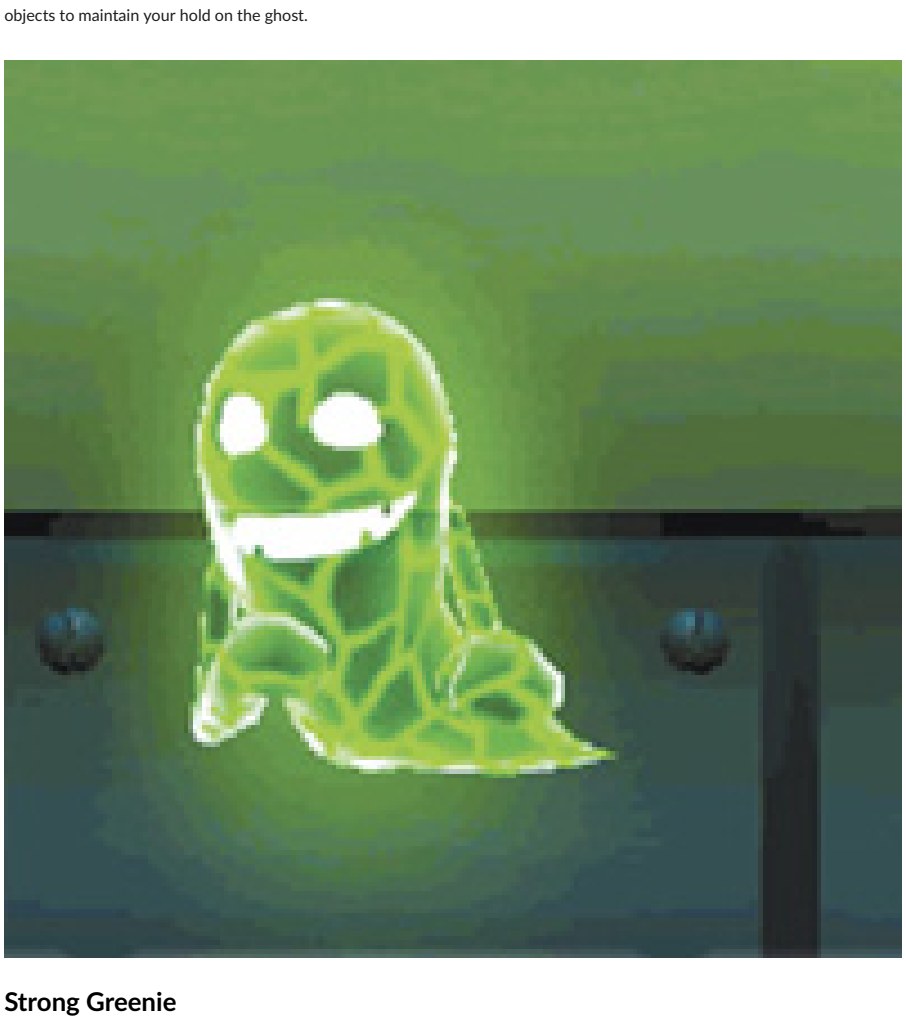
Gobber

Gobbers are stationary ghosts that attack by spitting sludge. Flash a Gobber to stun it, then latch on with the Poltergust and wear it down. As you struggle with this immovable ghost, it continues its attacks. Dodge the sludge flying through the air and avoid the sludge puddles on the ground.



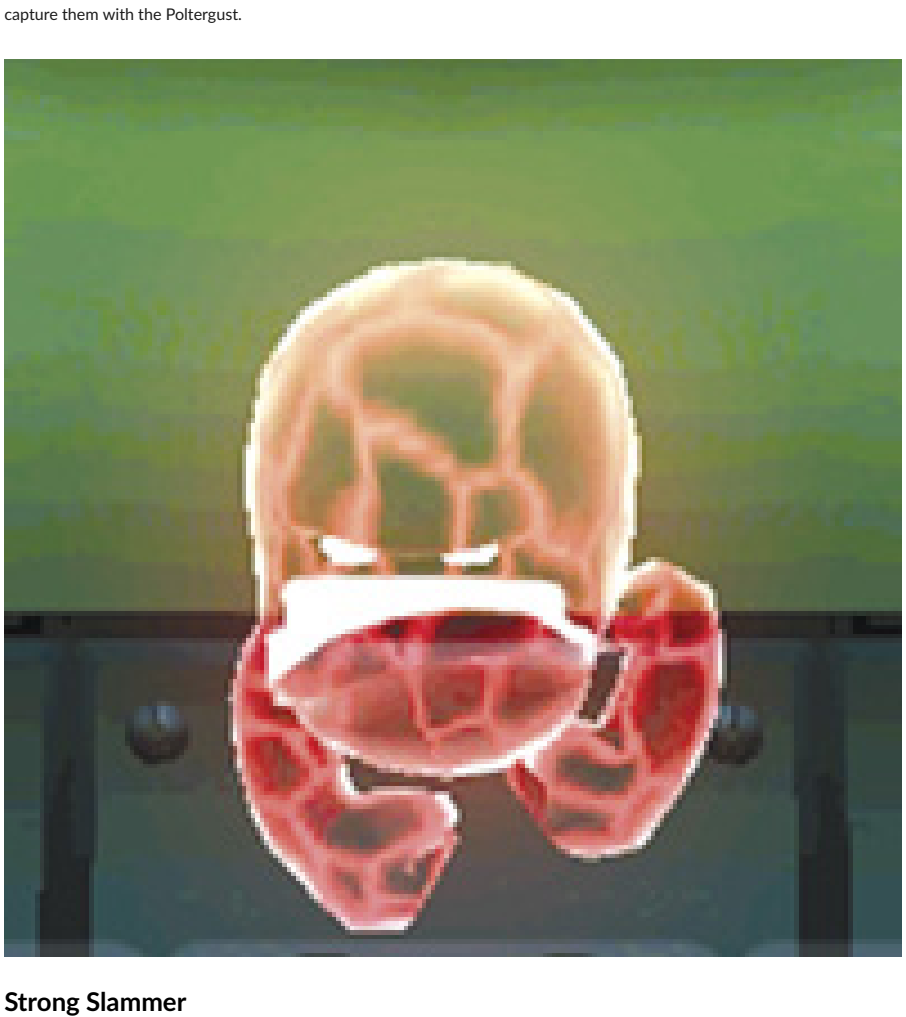
Poltergeist

Poltergeists appear in A-3 Quiet Please. This ghost's highly developed brain grants it telekinetic powers. Poltergeists stay out of sight, preferring to attack from a distance. Watch for trembling objects that indicate an impending attack, then flash the area to catch the Poltergeist off guard. The Poltergeist continues its attacks during the struggle, so you'll have to dodge incoming objects to maintain your hold on the ghost.



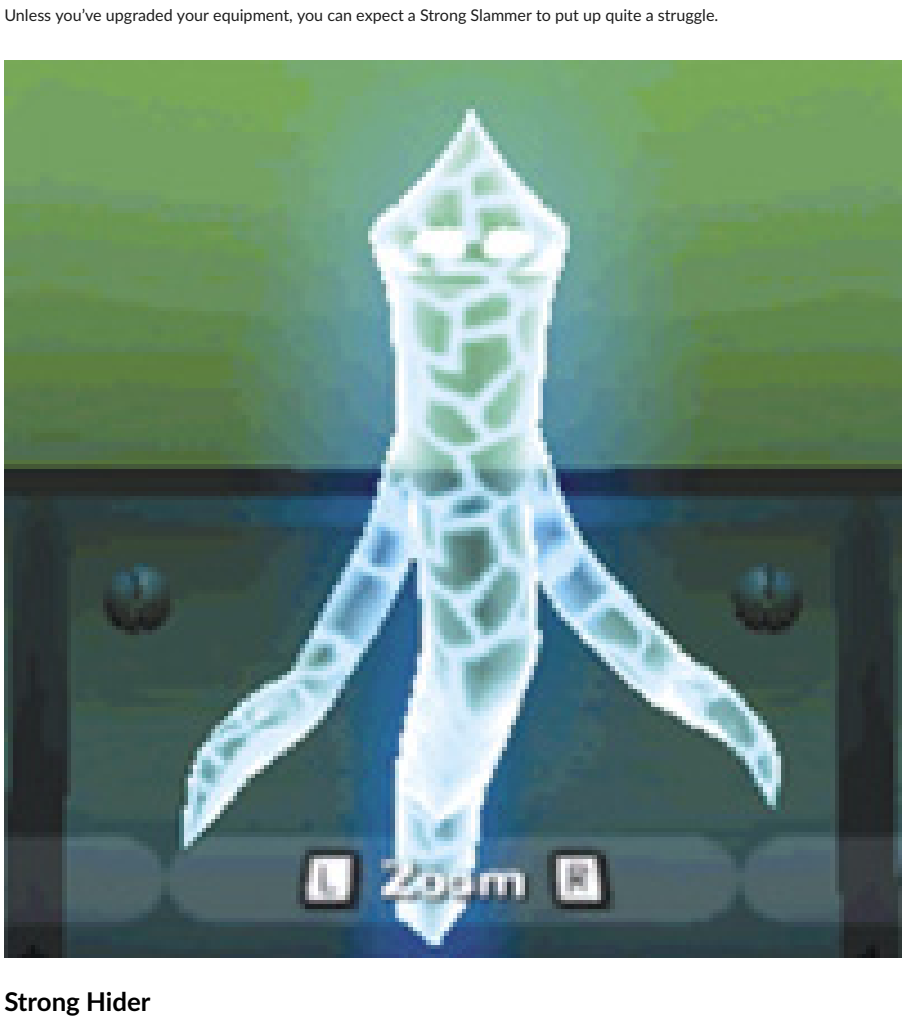
Strong Greenie

Strong Greenies are much tougher than the standard variety, but they exhibit the same behaviors. Flash these ghosts, then capture them with the Poltergust.



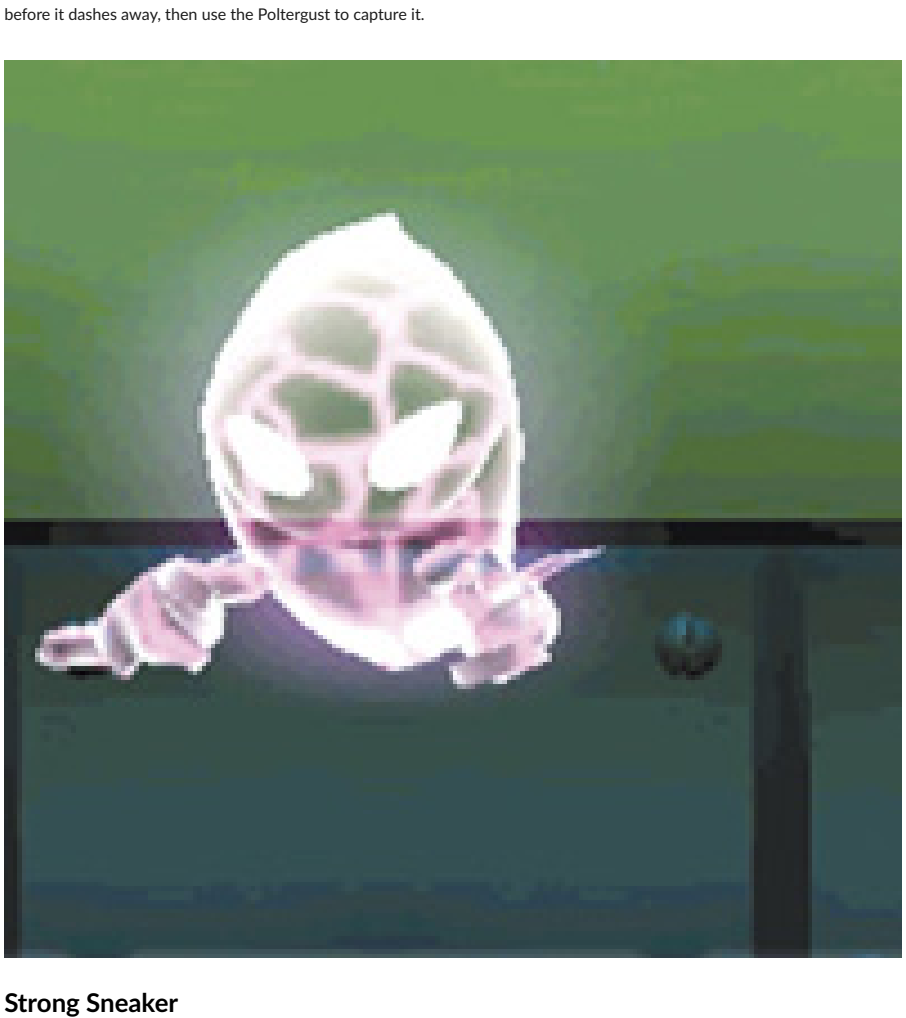
Strong Slammer

Slammers are formidable, but Strong Slammers are downright nasty! Flash these ghosts and latch on to wear them down. Unless you've upgraded your equipment, you can expect a Strong Slammer to put up quite a struggle.



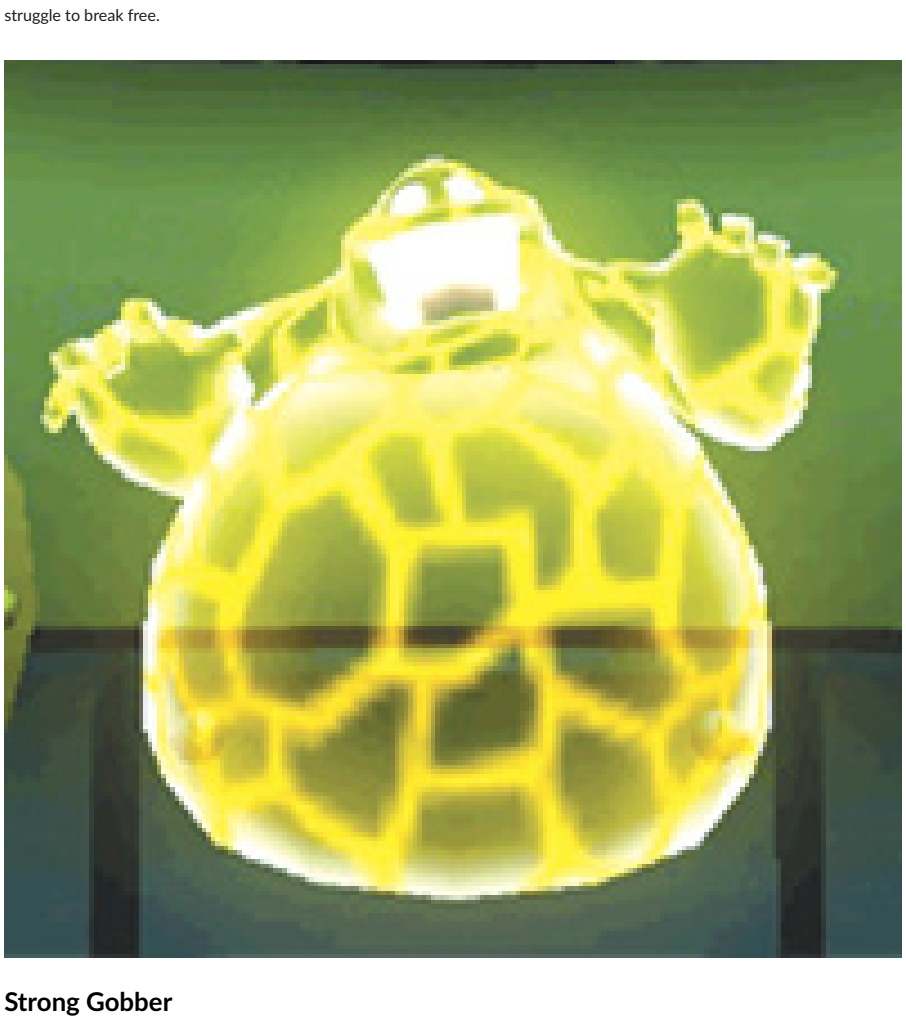
Strong Hider

Strong Hiders behave just like the standard variety, but they're much more durable. When you find a Strong Hider, flash it before it dashes away, then use the Poltergust to capture it.



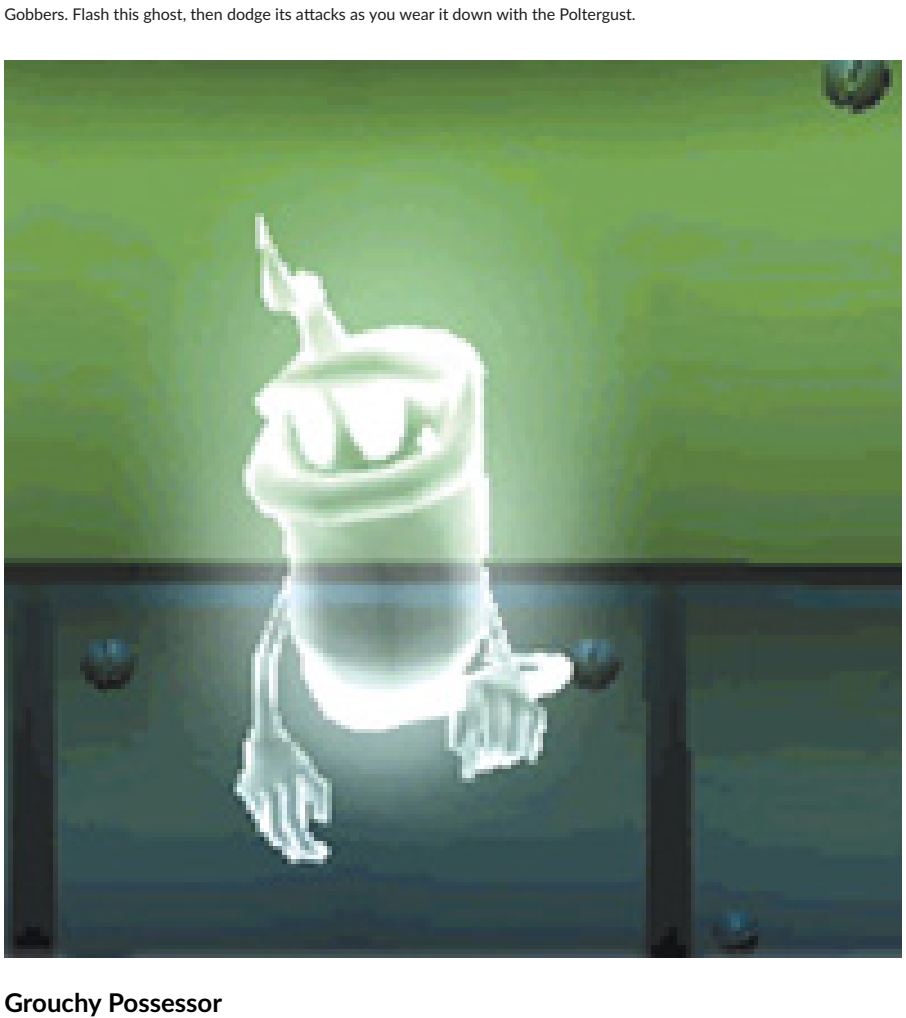
Strong Sneaker

Strong Sneakers are even more troublesome than the normal variety. Flash them and latch on, then wear them down as they struggle to break free.



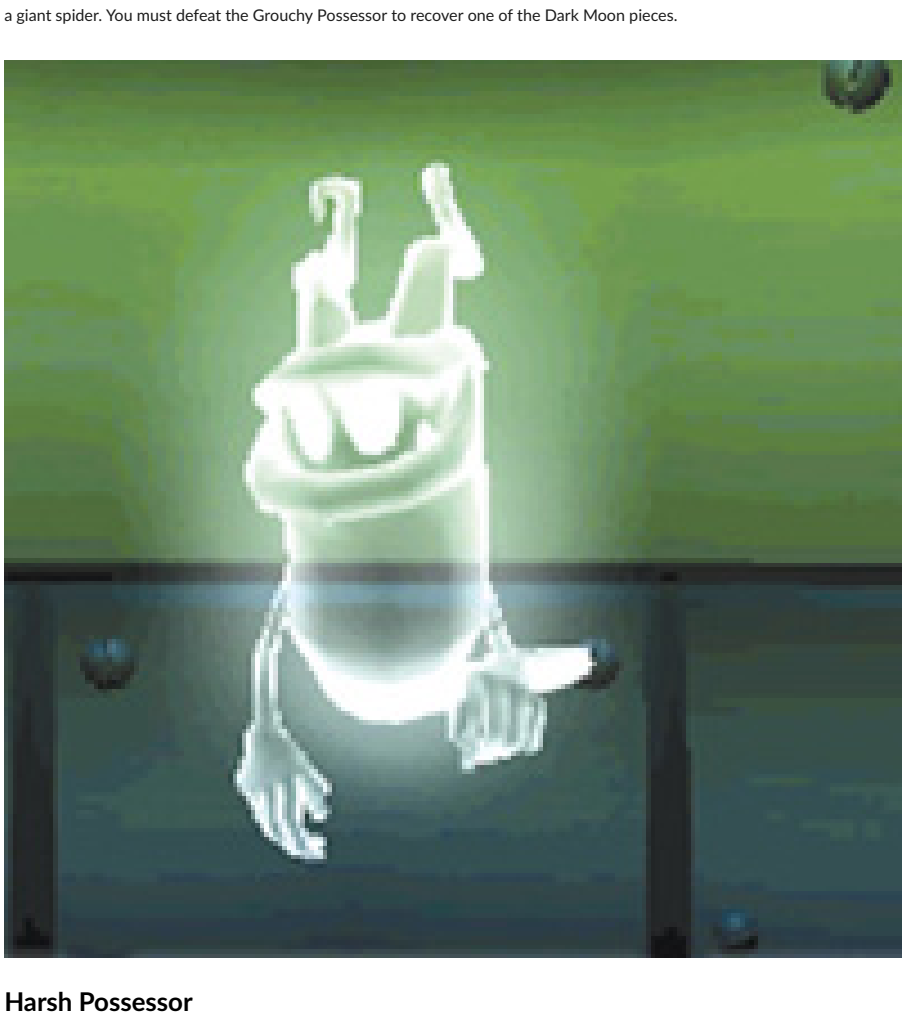
Strong Gobber

Strong Gobbers can absorb an impressive amount of damage. Other than their increased toughness, they act just like normal Gobbers. Flash this ghost, then dodge its attacks as you wear it down with the Poltergust.



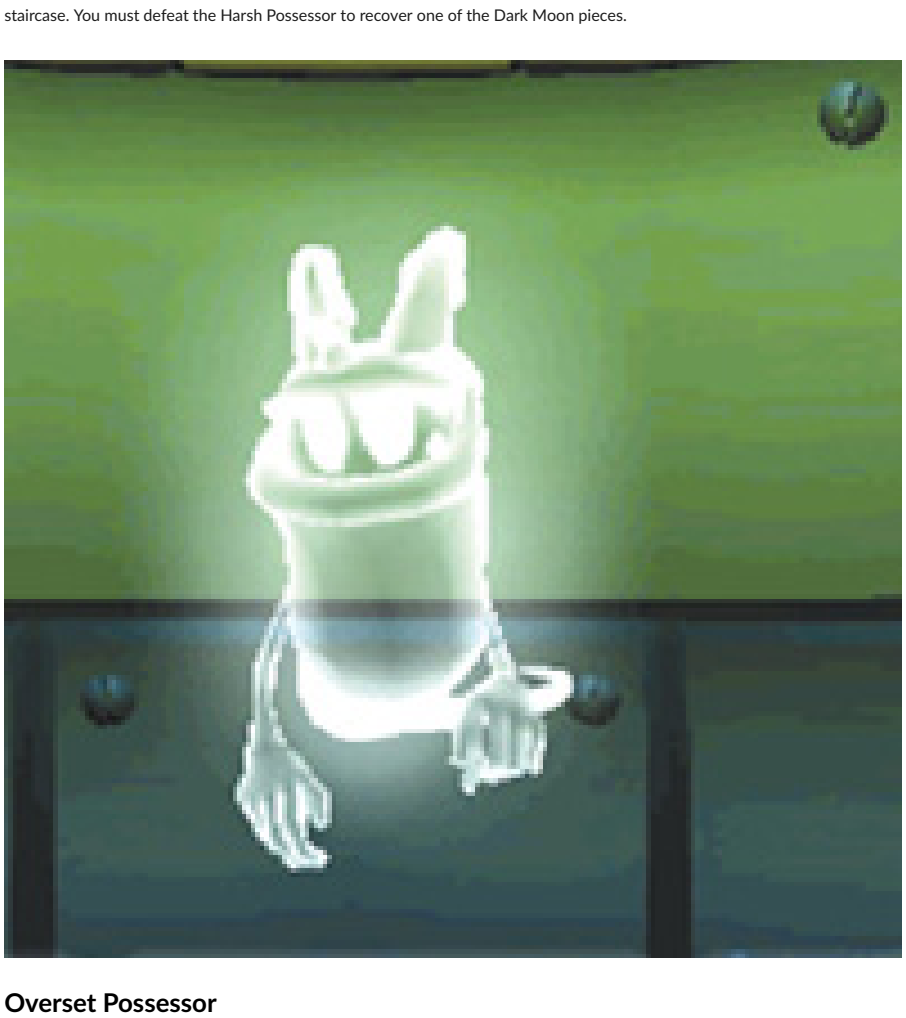
Grouchy Possessor

The Grouchy Possessor appears in the Gloomy Manor boss encounter. During the mission, this powerful ghost takes control of a giant spider. You must defeat the Grouchy Possessor to recover one of the Dark Moon pieces.



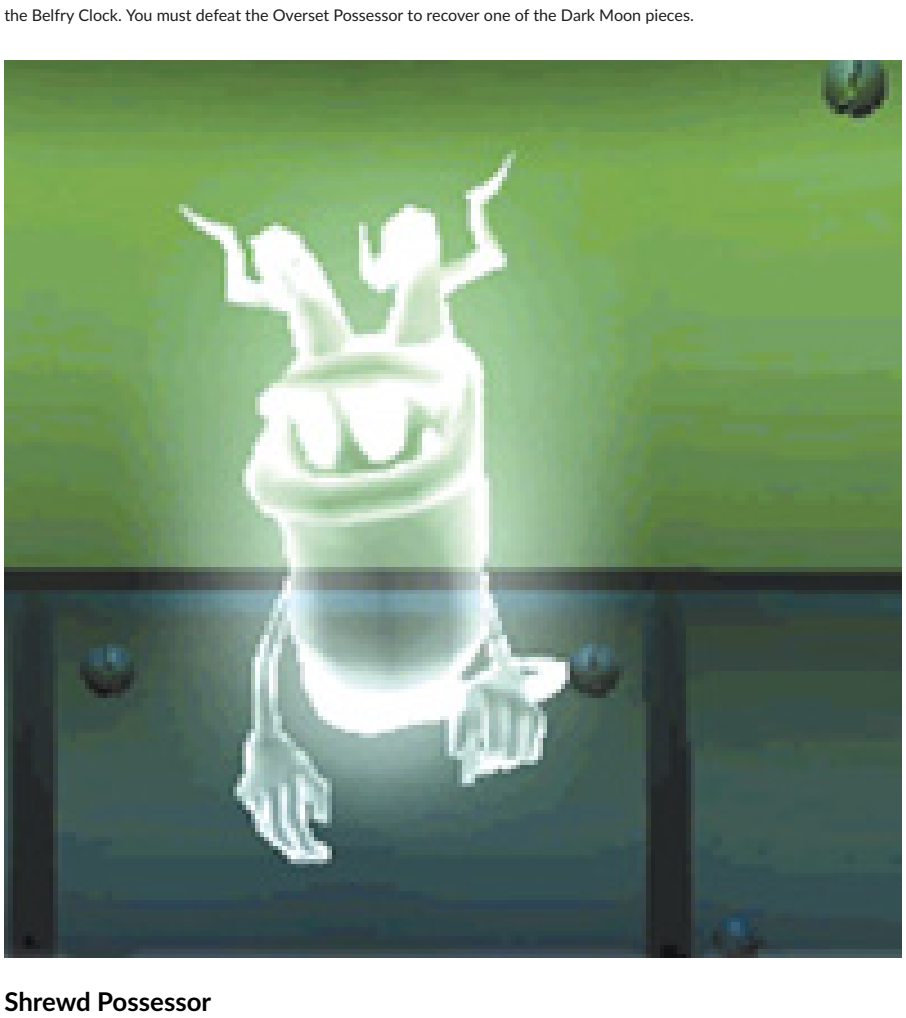
Harsh Possessor

The Harsh Possessor appears in the Haunted Towers boss encounter. During the mission, this powerful ghost takes control of a staircase. You must defeat the Harsh Possessor to recover one of the Dark Moon pieces.



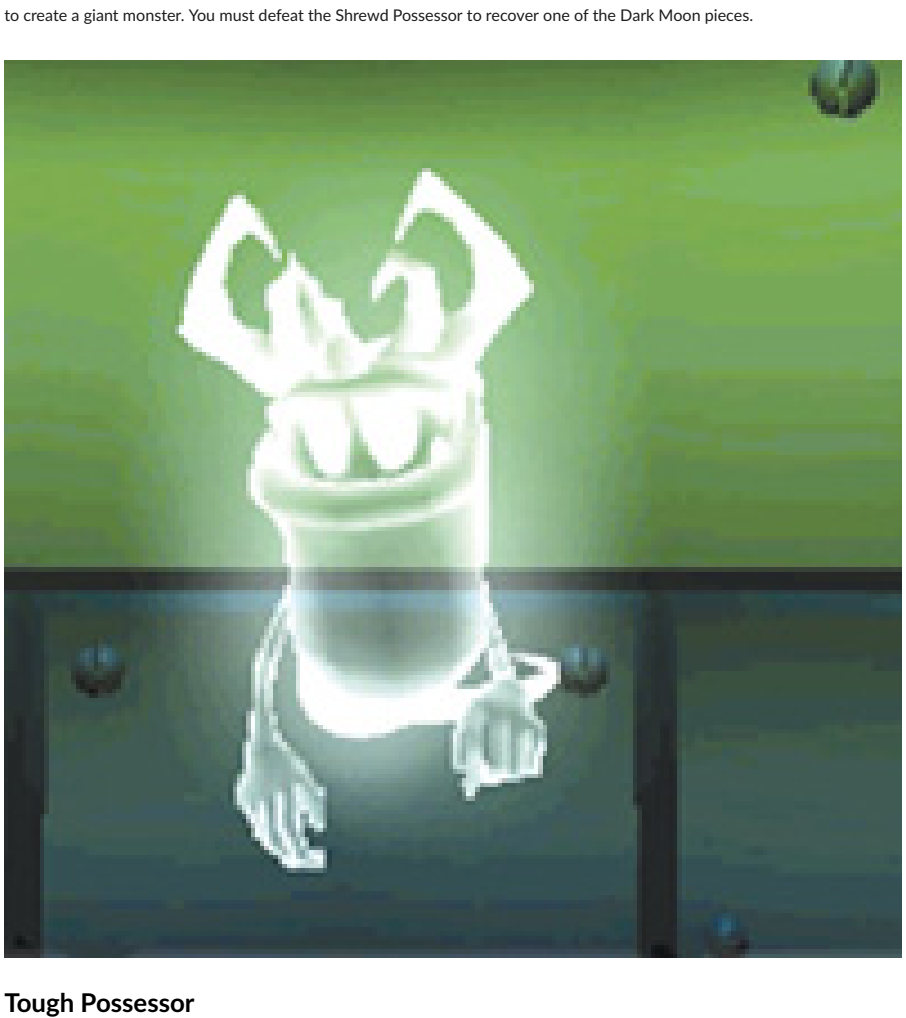
Overset Possessor

The Overset Possessor appears in the Old Clockworks boss encounter. During the mission, this powerful ghost takes control the Belfry Clock. You must defeat the Overset Possessor to recover one of the Dark Moon pieces.



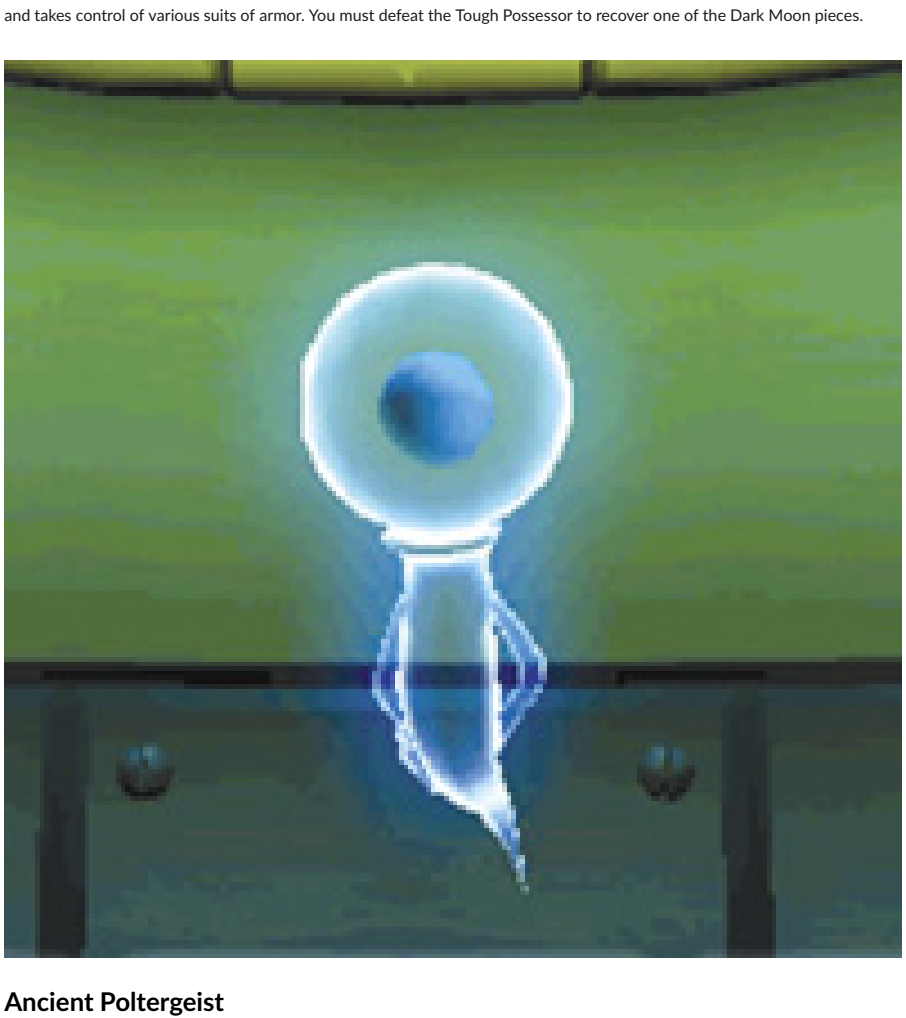
Shrewd Possessor

The Shrewd Possessor appears in the Secret Mine boss encounter. During the mission, this powerful ghost uses chunks of ice to create a giant monster. You must defeat the Shrewd Possessor to recover one of the Dark Moon pieces.



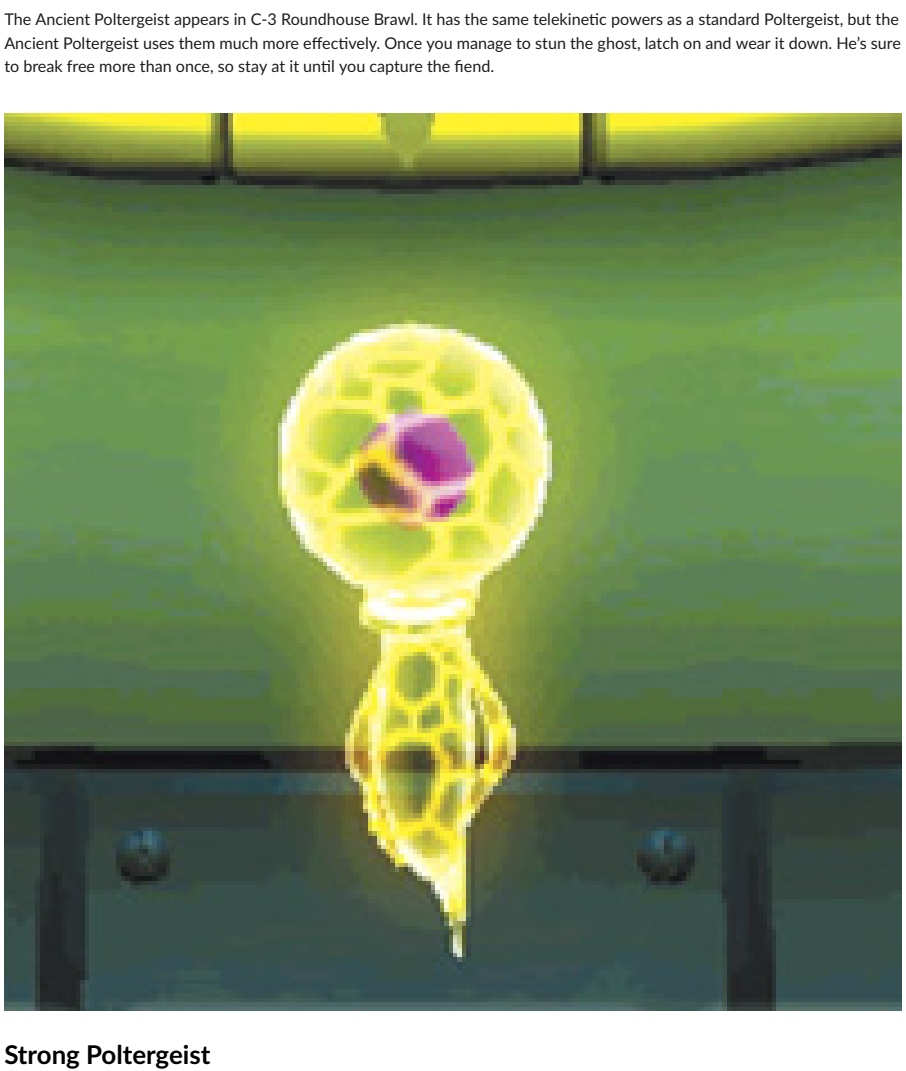
Tough Possessor

The Tough Possessor appears in the Treacherous Mansion boss encounter. During the mission, this powerful ghost splits apart and takes control of various suits of armor. You must defeat the Tough Possessor to recover one of the Dark Moon pieces.



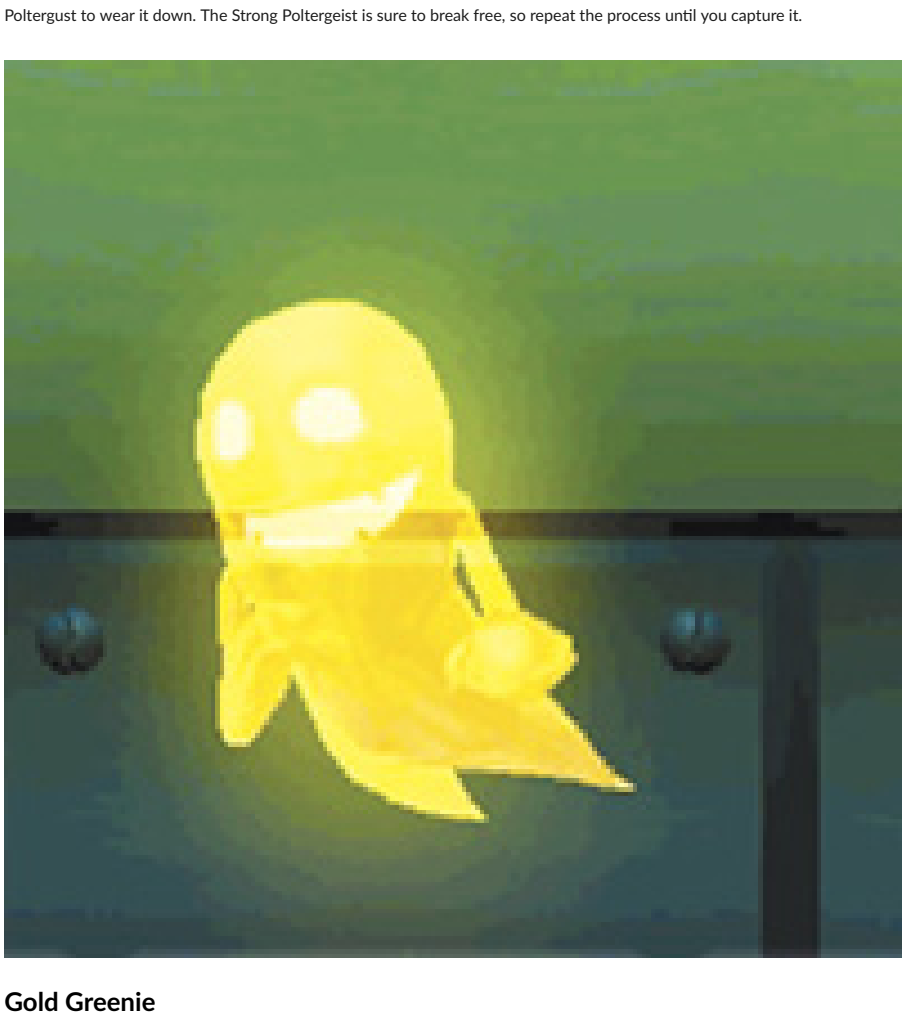
Ancient Poltergeist

The Ancient Poltergeist appears in C-3 Roundhouse Brawl. It has the same telekinetic powers as a standard Poltergeist, but the Ancient Poltergeist uses them much more effectively. Once you manage to stun the ghost, latch on and wear it down. He's sure to break free more than once, so stay at it until you capture the fiend.



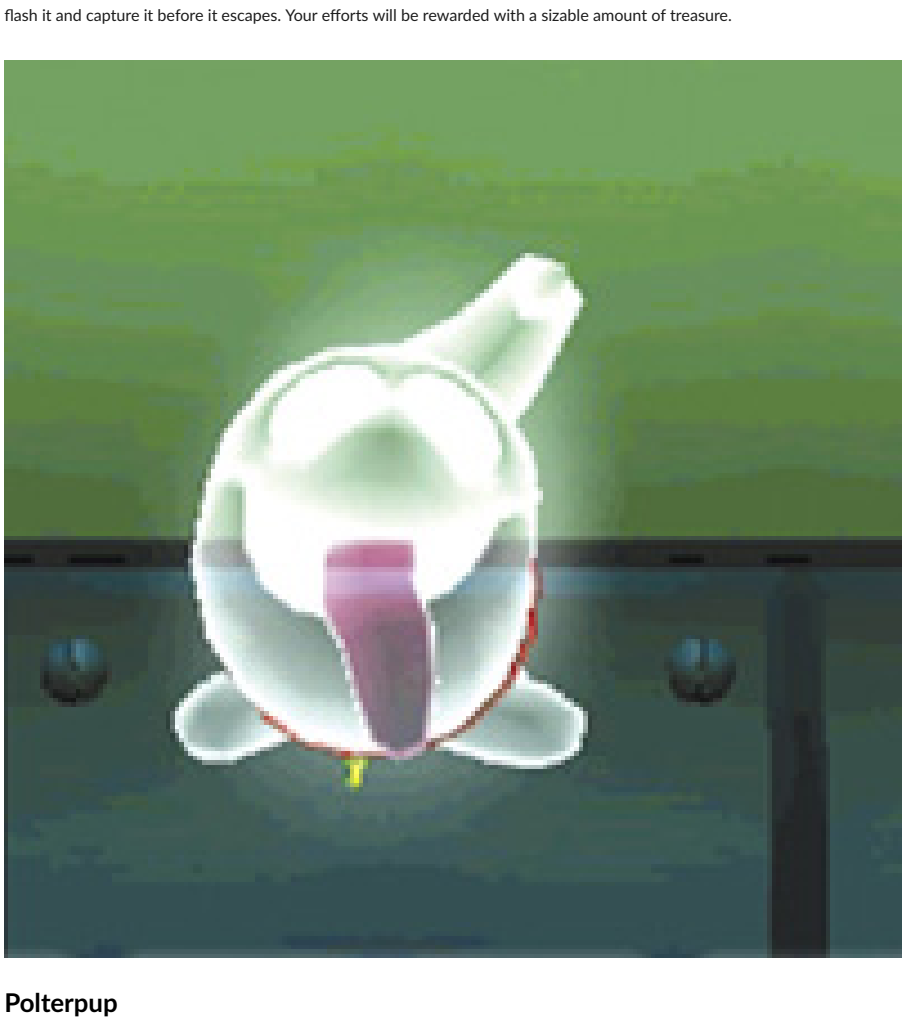
Strong Poltergeist

The Strong Poltergeist appears in E-3 A Train to Catch. It has the same telekinetic powers as other Poltergeist variants, but it puts up a much tougher fight. Once you determine the Strong Poltergeist's location, flash it with the Strobulb and use the Poltergust to wear it down. The Strong Poltergeist is sure to break free, so repeat the process until you capture it.



Gold Greenie

Gold Greenies don't mind causing a bit of mischief, but they'll flee at the first sign of trouble. When you spot a Gold Greenie, flash it and capture it before it escapes. Your efforts will be rewarded with a sizable amount of treasure.

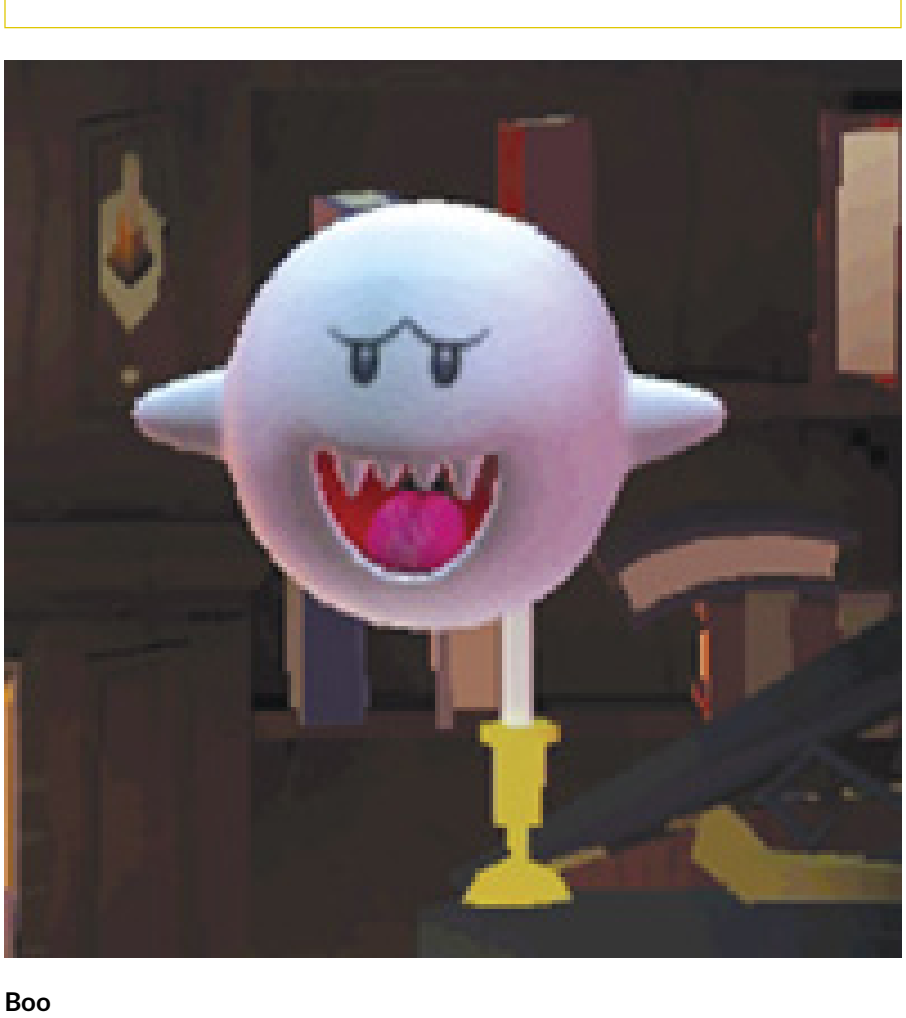


Polterpup

The Polterpup isn't an enemy, but it causes you more than its share of trouble. This playful ghost snatches important objects, causing you to chase it from room to room. Use the Dark-Light Device to reveal the Polterpup's spectral trail, then follow the ghost to its various hiding places. When you finally corner the Polterpup, flash it and latch on before it escapes.

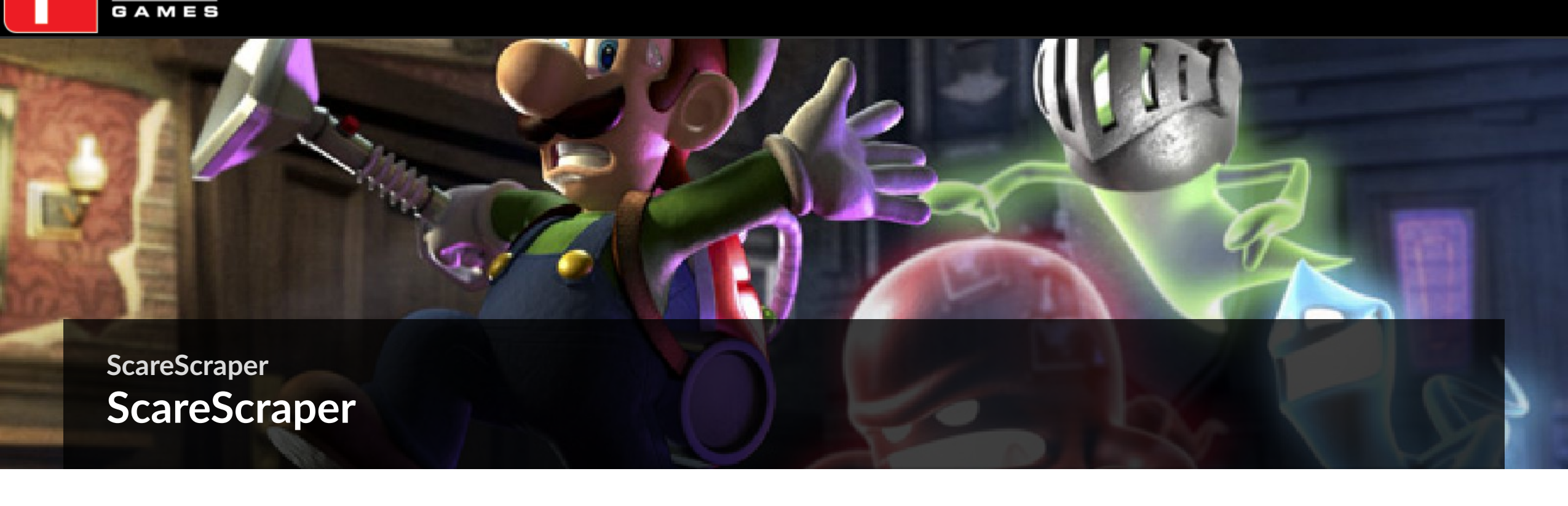
Note

If you lose all of your health while holding a gold bone, the Polterpup revives you in exchange for the tasty treat.



Boo

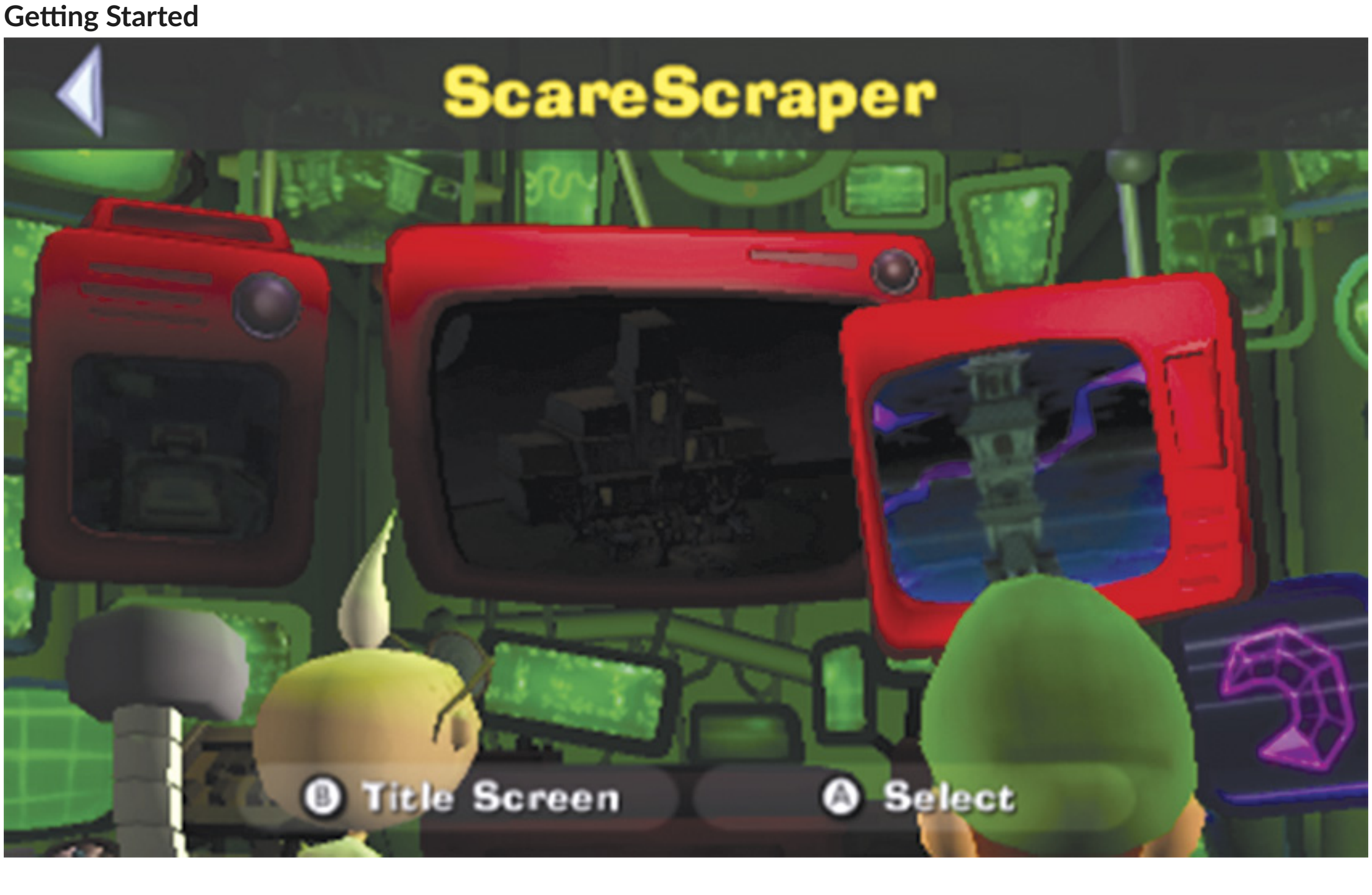
Each of the game's standard missions contains a Boo. These ghosts create illusions that make it seem as if various objects have vanished from the mansion. A mission's Boo is almost always hiding near one of these illusions. Use the Dark-Light Device to reveal the missing objects until you draw the Boo out of hiding. Rather than flashing a Boo, you must use the Dark-Light Device to daze it. Once you do, latch onto its tongue and perform an A-Pull to send it bouncing around the room. When the Boo is weak enough, use the Poltergust to capture it.



ScareScraper

ScareScraper

Getting Started



ScareScraper is the game's cooperative multi-player mode. Access the Bunker's ScareScraper monitor to join an existing ScareScraper, or to create one of your own.

Connection Types

Local Play

Select Local Play if you want to team up with a group of nearby friends who have Luigi's Mansion: Dark Moon, or who have acquired a limited version of ScareScraper via Download Play.

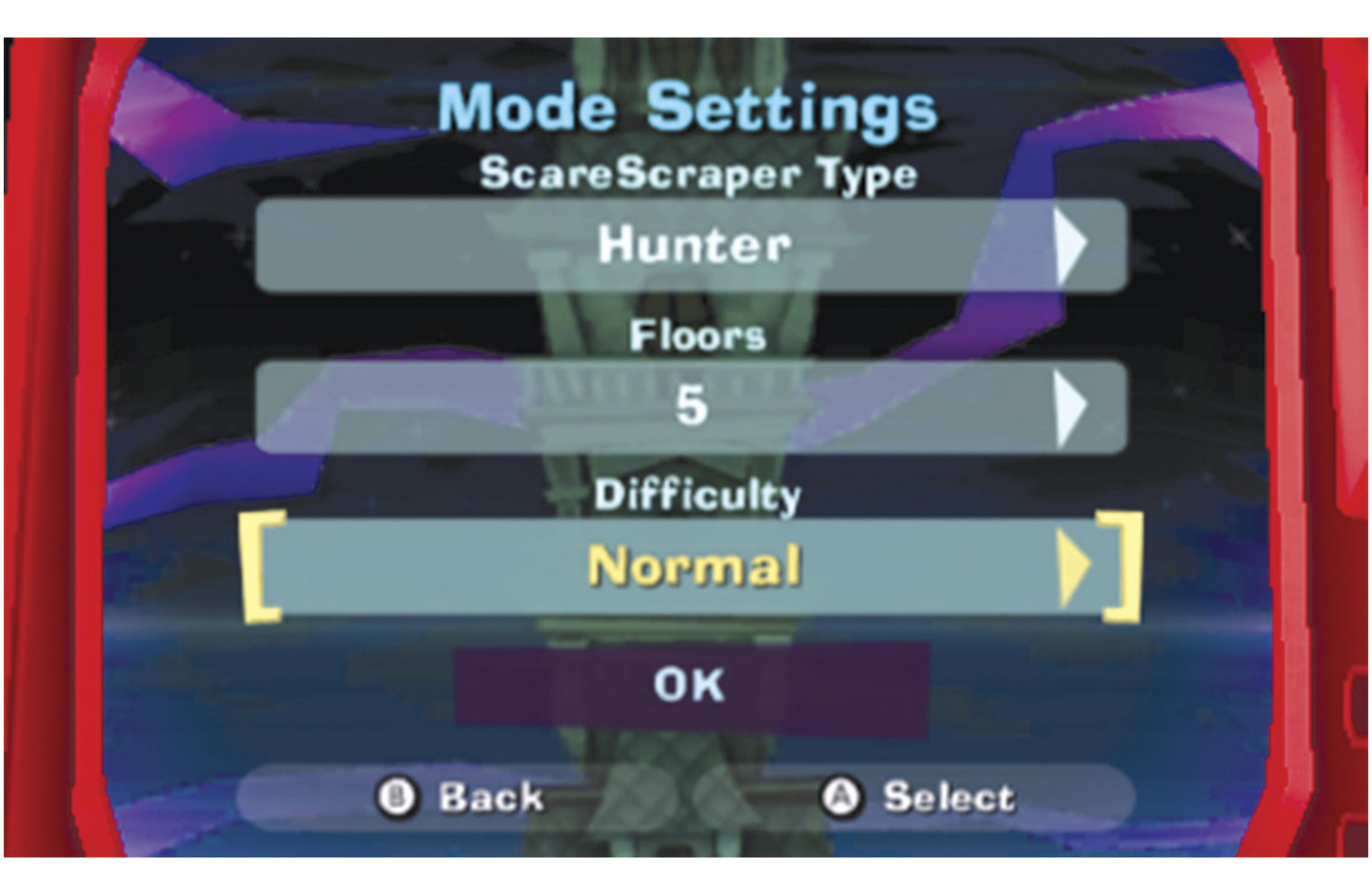
Download Play

Select Download Play to play a limited version of ScareScraper with nearby friends who don't have *Luigi's Mansion: Dark Moon* .

Online Play

Select Online Play to connect to Nintendo Network and play with others online.

Creating a ScareScraper



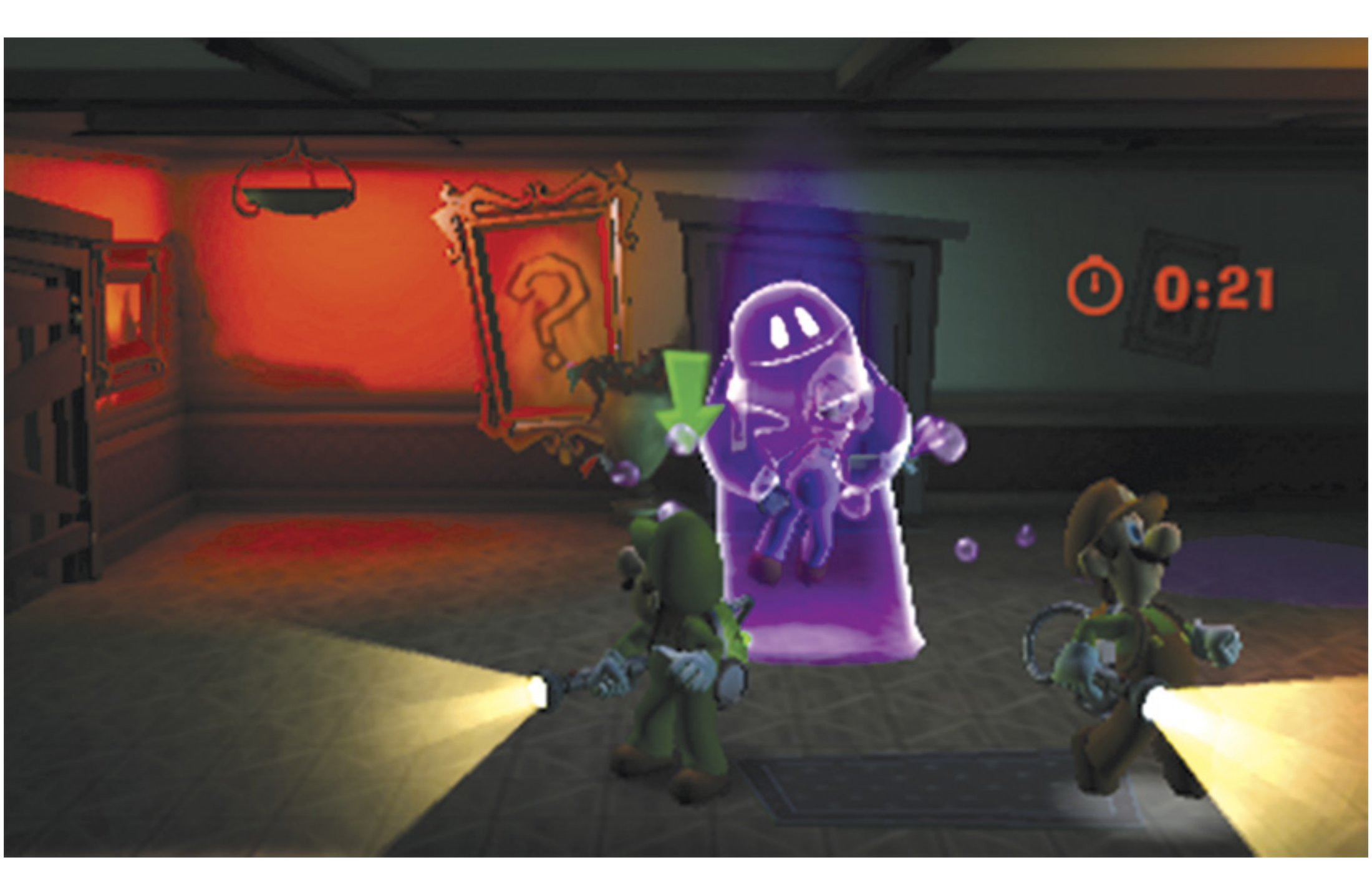
Mode Settings
ScareScraper Type: Hunter
Floors: 5
Difficulty: Normal
OK

If you opt to create a new ScareScraper, use the available settings to customize your game. Choose the type of ScareScraper you wish to create, the number of floors it will contain, and the ScareScraper's level of difficulty.

Once you create the ScareScraper, up to three other players can join the game.

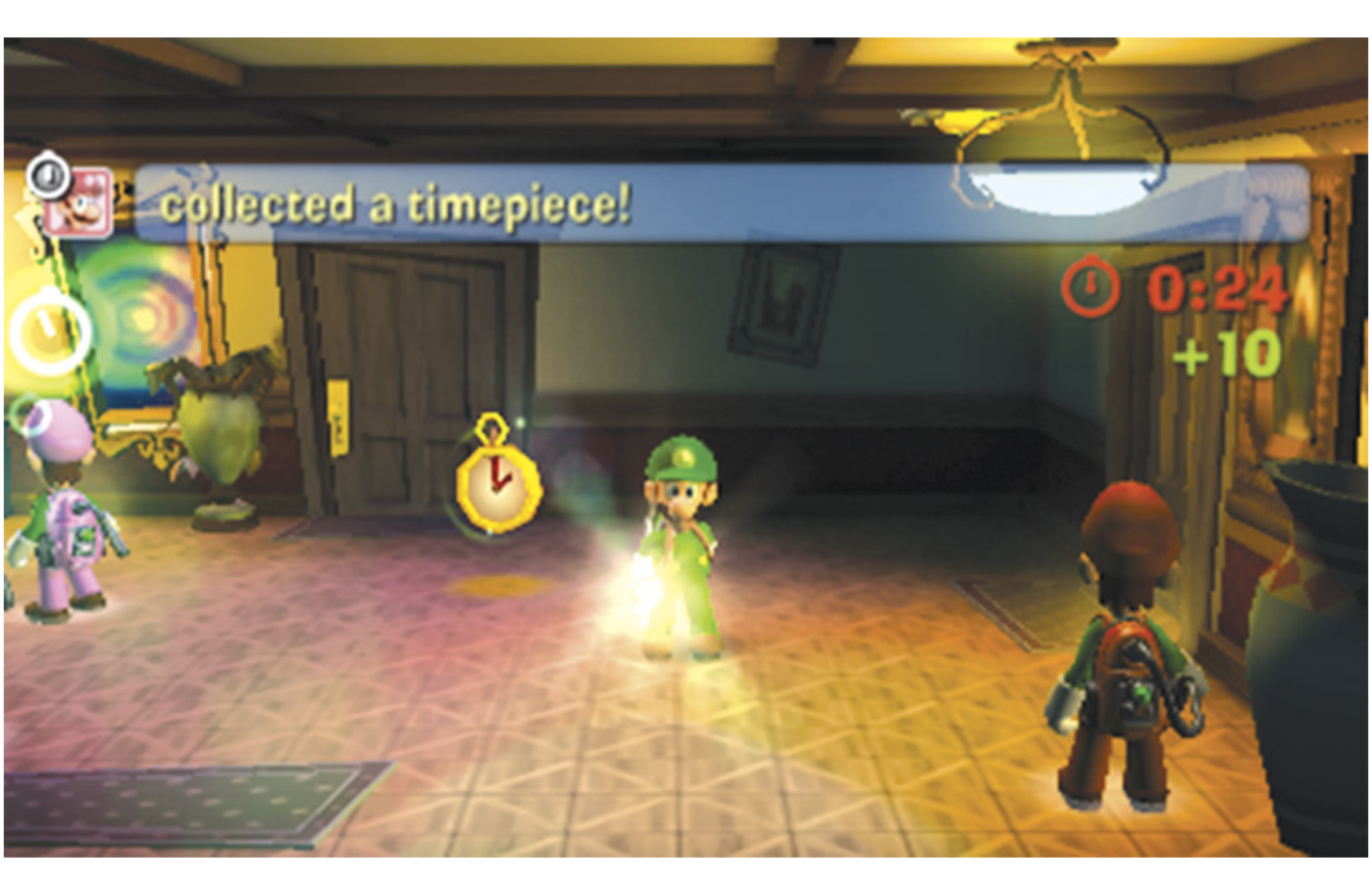
ScareScraper Types

Hunter Mode

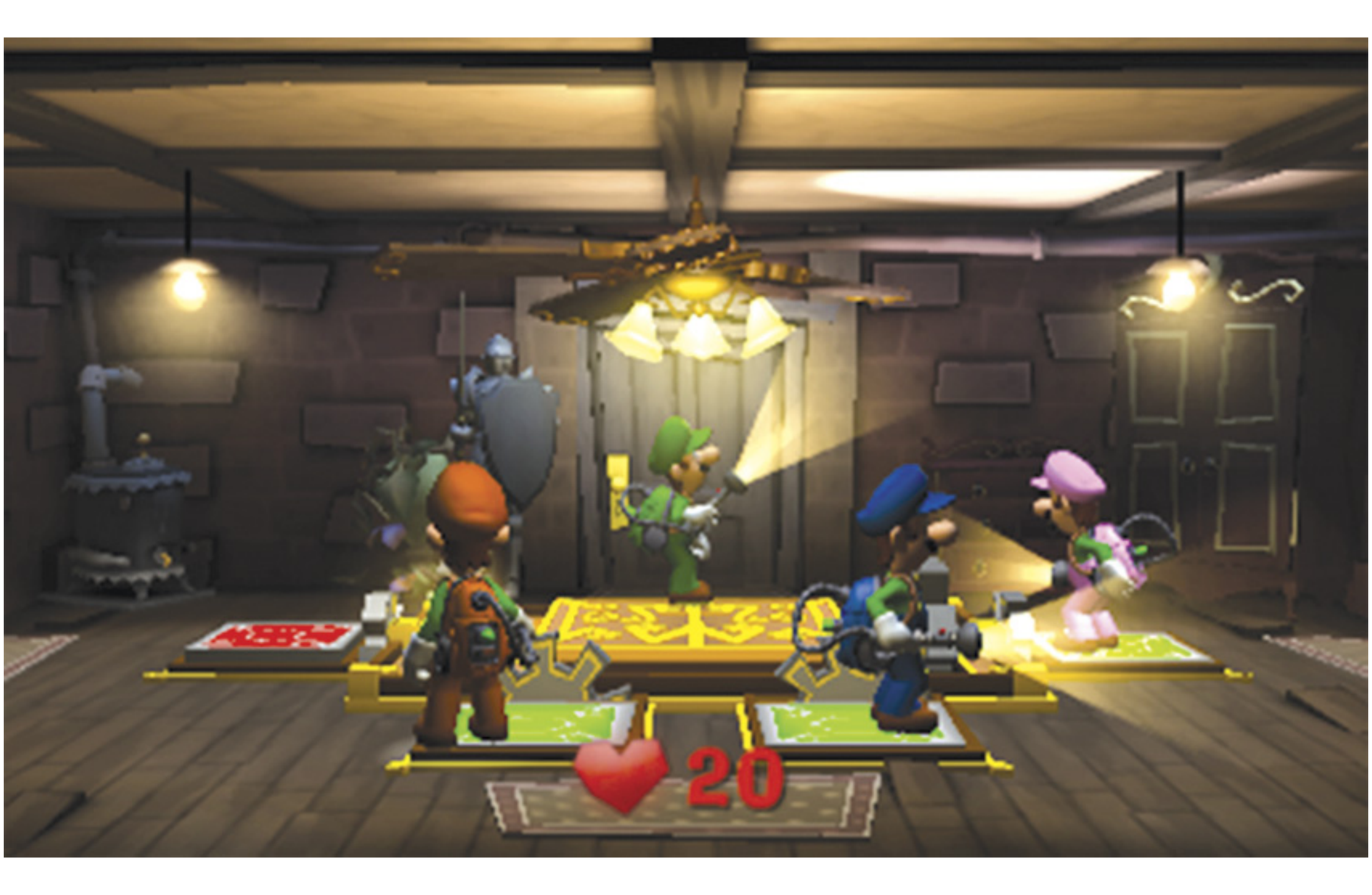


In Hunter Mode, players work their way up the ScareScraper by capturing all of the ghosts on each floor.

Rush Mode

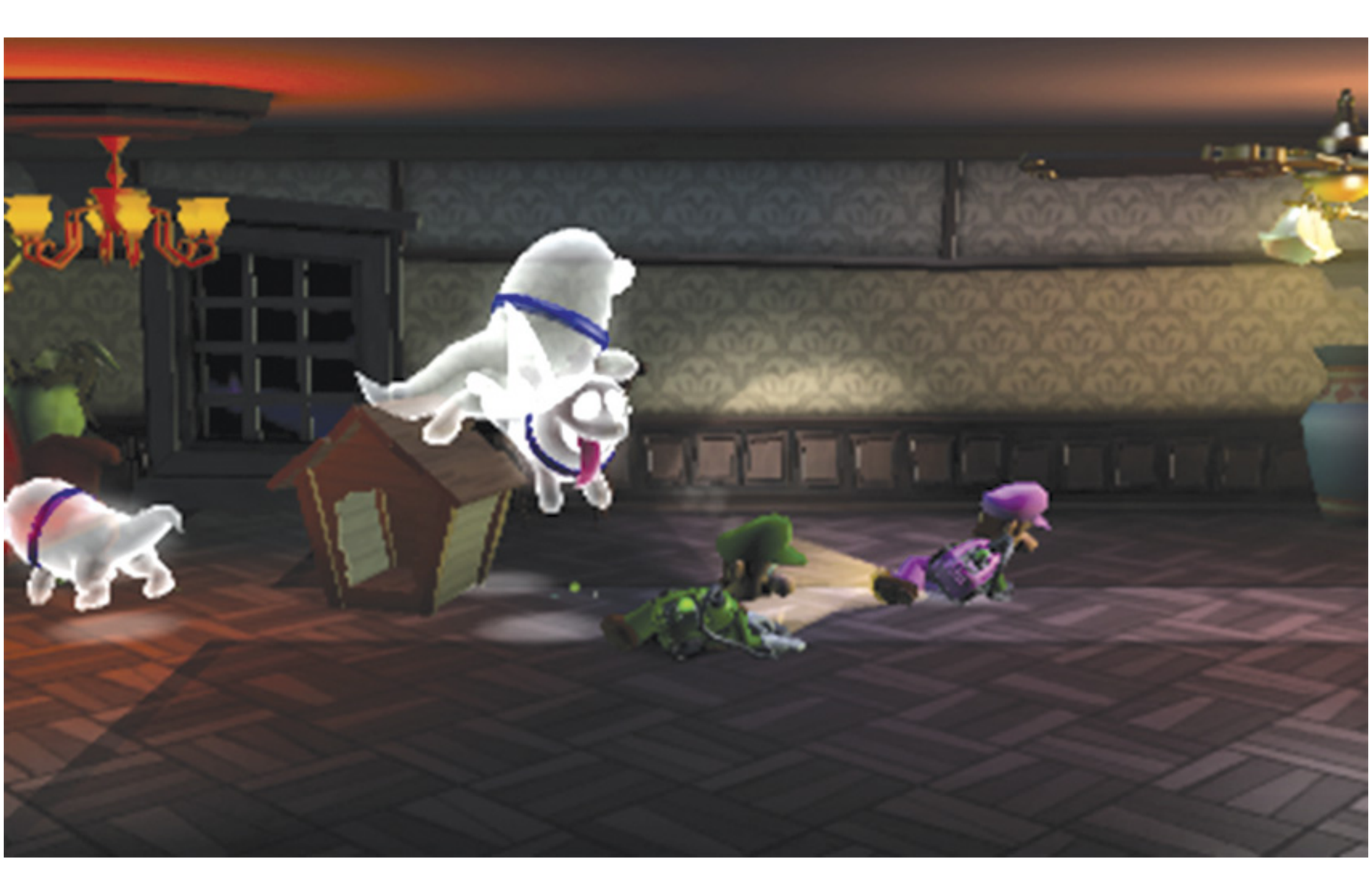


In Rush Mode, players must reach the exit hatch in the allotted time. Collect the Timepieces that occasionally appear to add more time to the clock. Timepieces can be found while searching objects, or earned by defeating enemies and disabling traps.

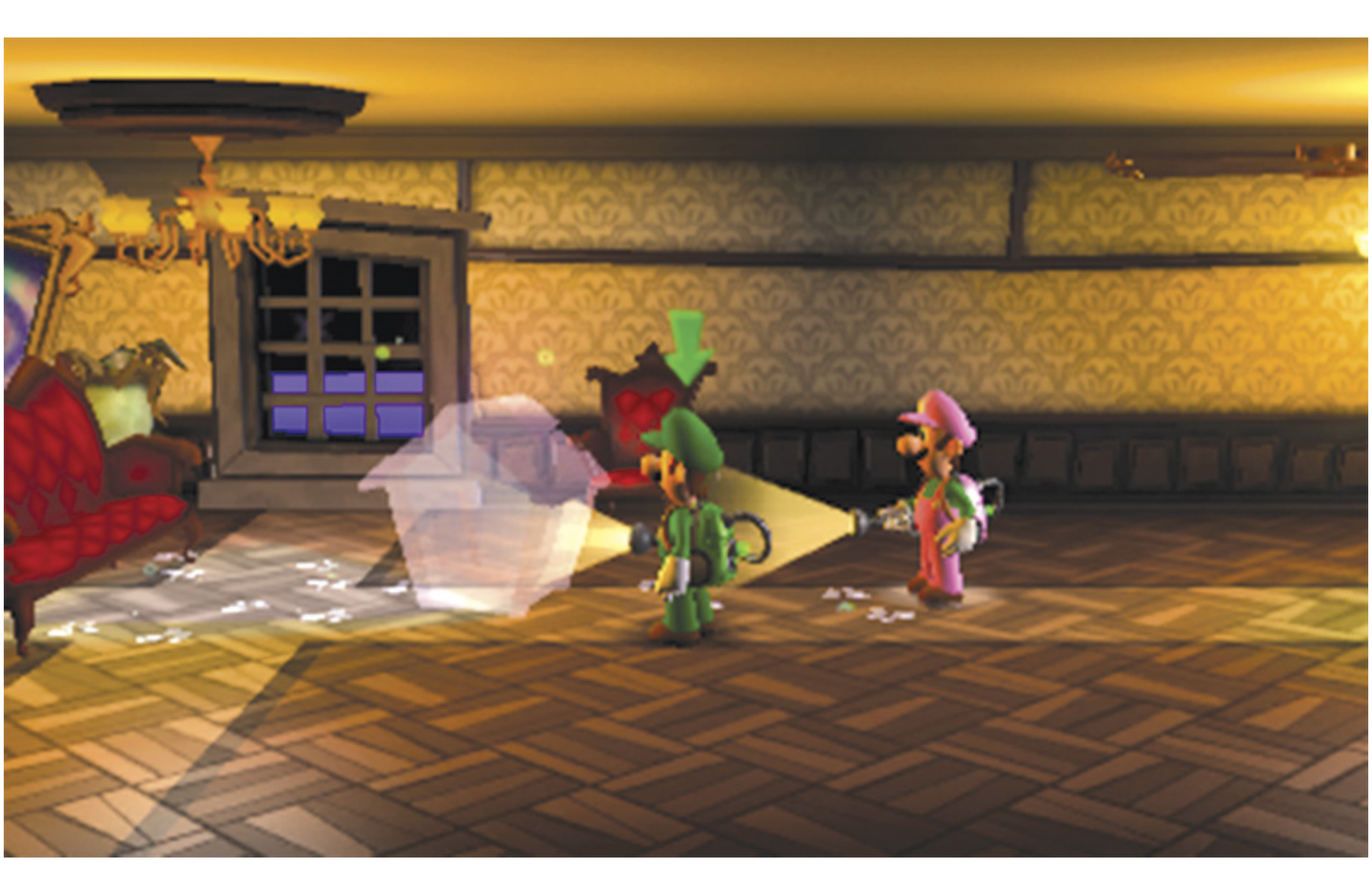


When a floor is cleared of ghosts, all players must proceed to the exit hatch and stand on the nearby pressure switches.

Polterpup Mode



In Polterpup Mode, players progress through the ScareScraper by capturing all of the Polterpups on each floor.

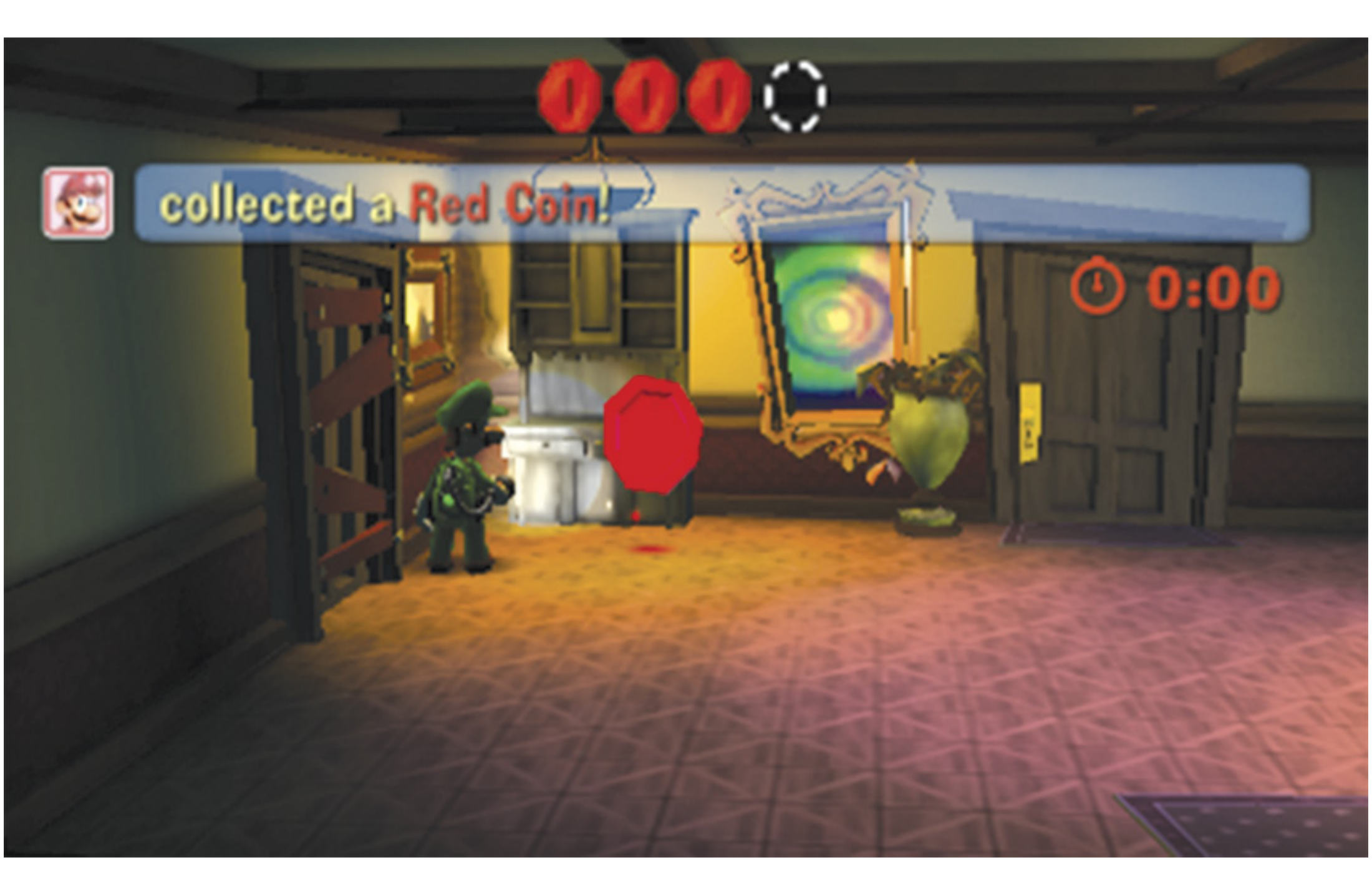


When you arrive on each floor, use the Dark-Light Device to follow the Polterpups' trails. When you reach the end of the trails, use the Dark-Light Device to reveal the hidden doghouse. When you do, the Polterpups flee the area. Use the Dark-Light Device to follow the fresh trails and track down all of the Polterpups.

> **Note**
>
> Complete ScareScrapers in Hunter Mode, Rush Mode, and Polterpup Mode to unlock Surprise Mode. To unlock the "Endless" floor option, complete any 25-floor ScareScraper.

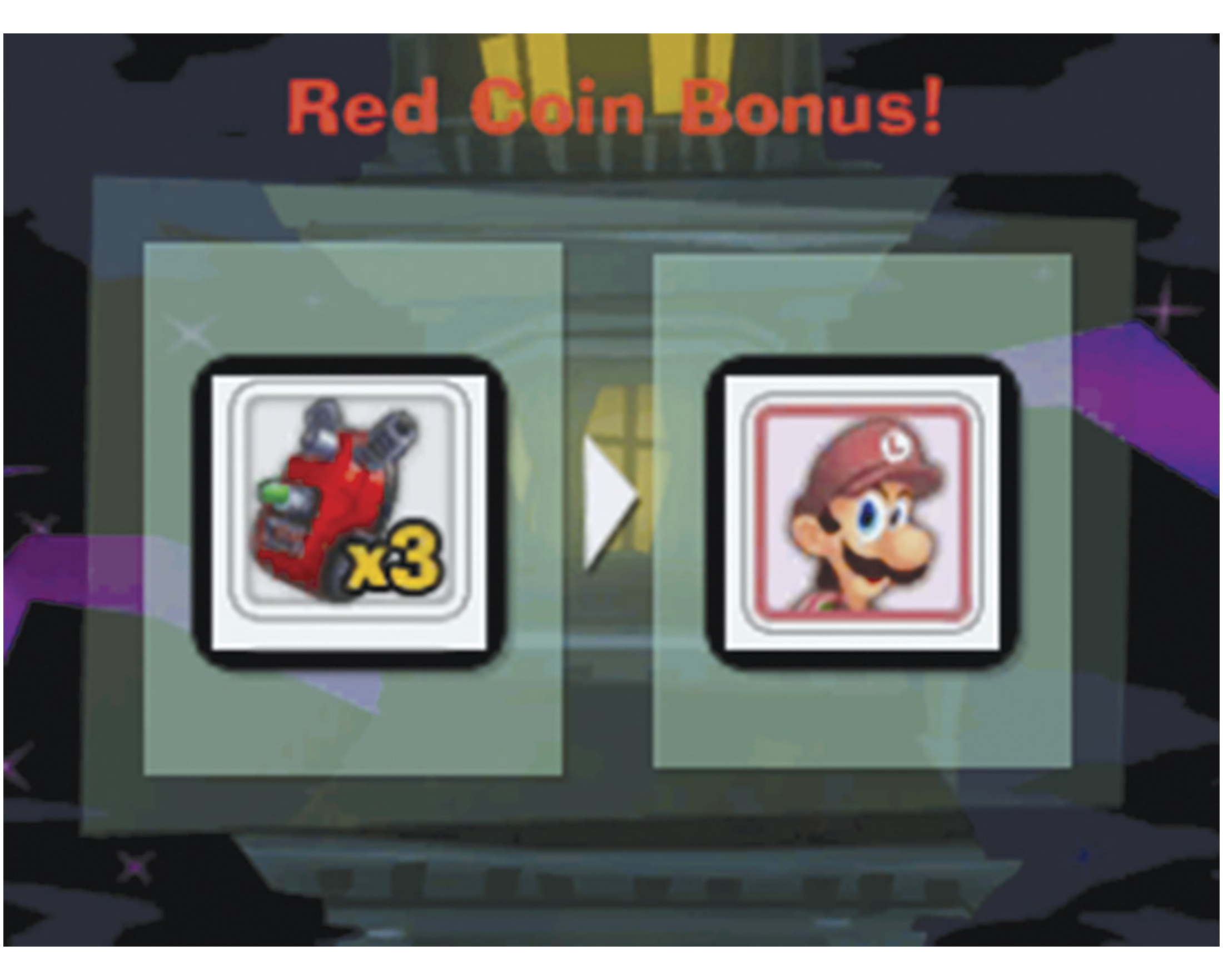
Red Coins

Red Coin Scramble



When you clear a floor, it triggers a Red Coin Scramble. During a Red Coin Scramble, players must collect the Red Coins that appear at different locations on the map. If all of the Red Coins are collected within the allotted time, a Red Coin Bonus initiates before you arrive at the next floor.

Red Coin Bonus



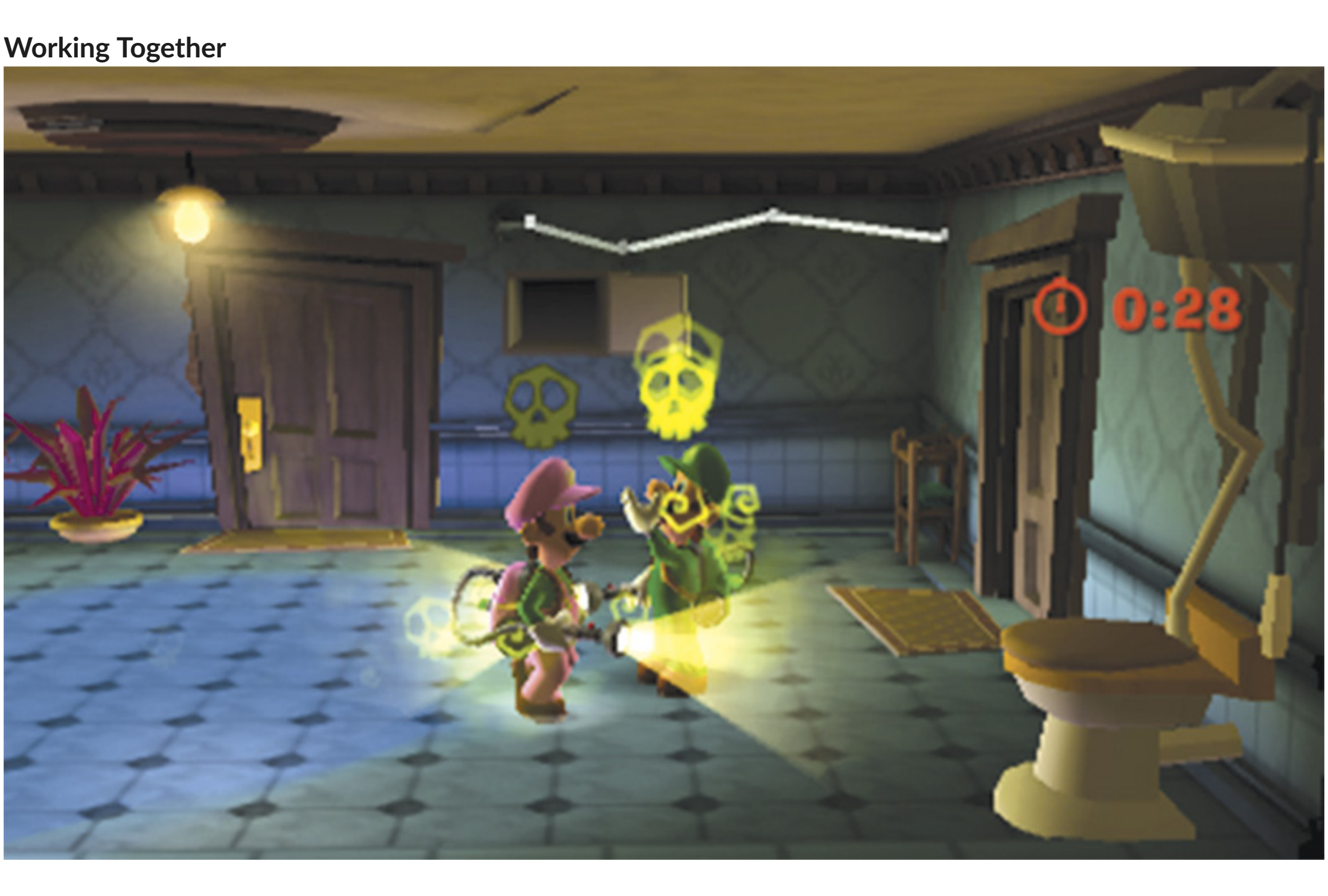
Each time you complete a Red Coin Scramble, a Red Coin Bonus activates before you arrive at the next floor. During this event, one player is awarded a power-up that can be used while playing through the next floor. The more Red Coins you collect, the better your chance of winning the Red Coin Bonus.

The winning player will receive one of the following power-ups:

- ×2 Poltergust (The player's Power Gauge fills twice as fast.)
- ×3 Poltergust (The player's Power Gauge fills three times as fast.)
- Map (The full map of the next floor is revealed for all players.)
- Glasses (The player can see hidden objects at all times.)
- Restorator (The player's Poltergust produces Hearts when it captures a ghost.)

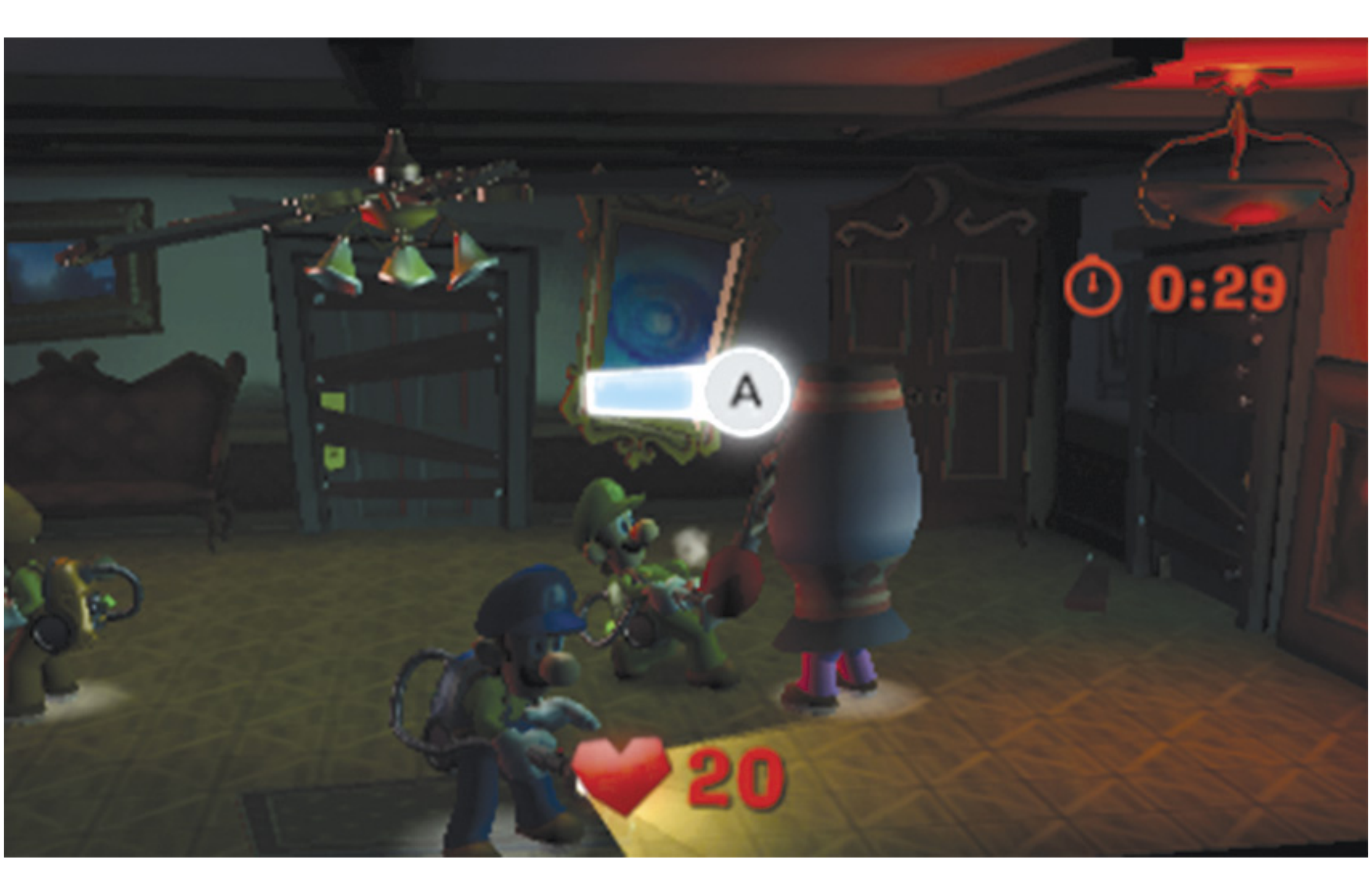
> **Note**
>
> Upon leaving a floor, achievements are awarded to the most deserving players.

Working Together



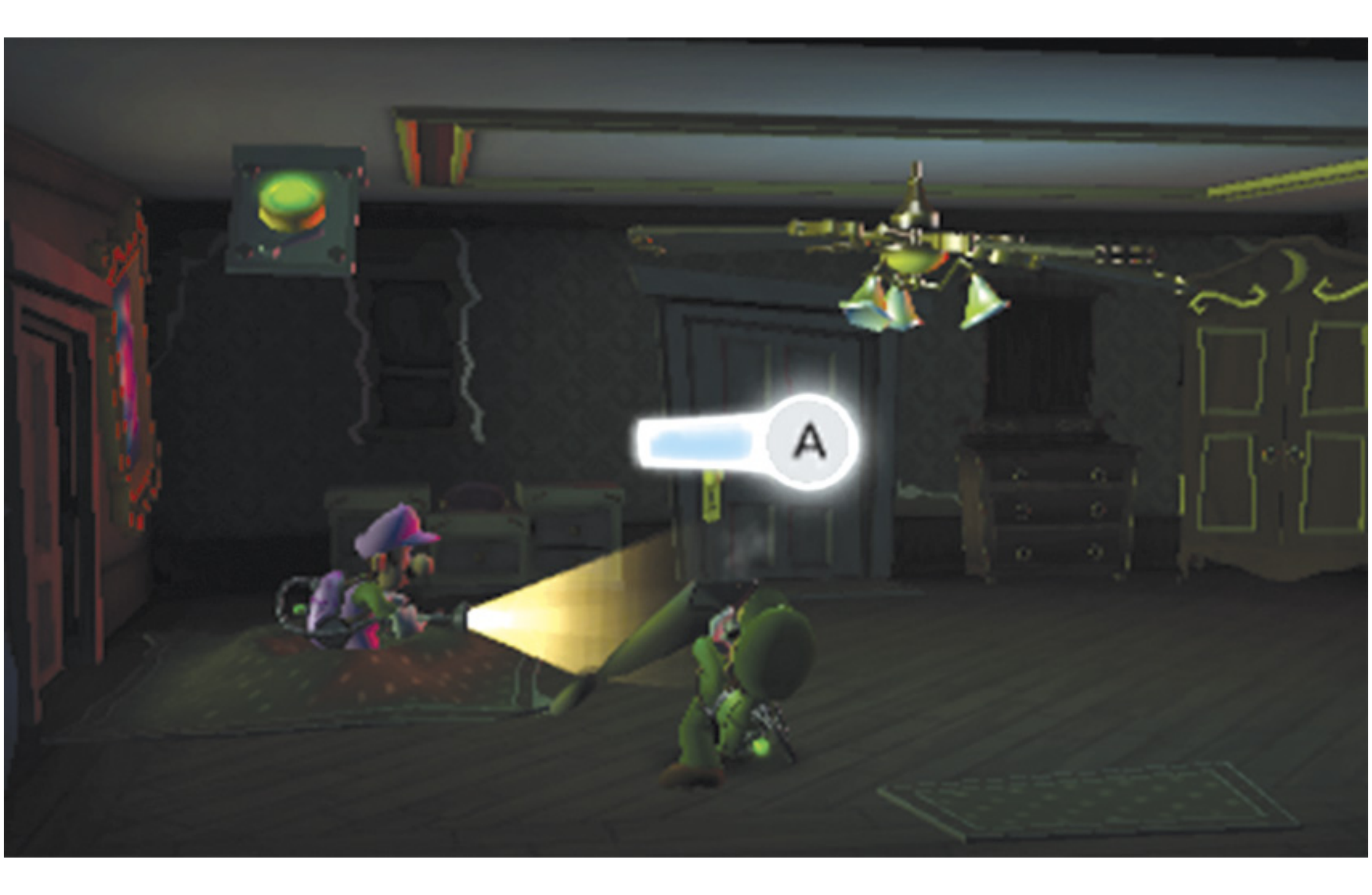
Curses

As you search objects, there's a chance you'll become cursed. When you're cursed, sliding the Circle Pad causes you to move in the opposite direction. To make matters worse, afflicted players can spread the curse to others. The only way to remove a curse is to have another player remove it with their Dark-Light Device.



Vases

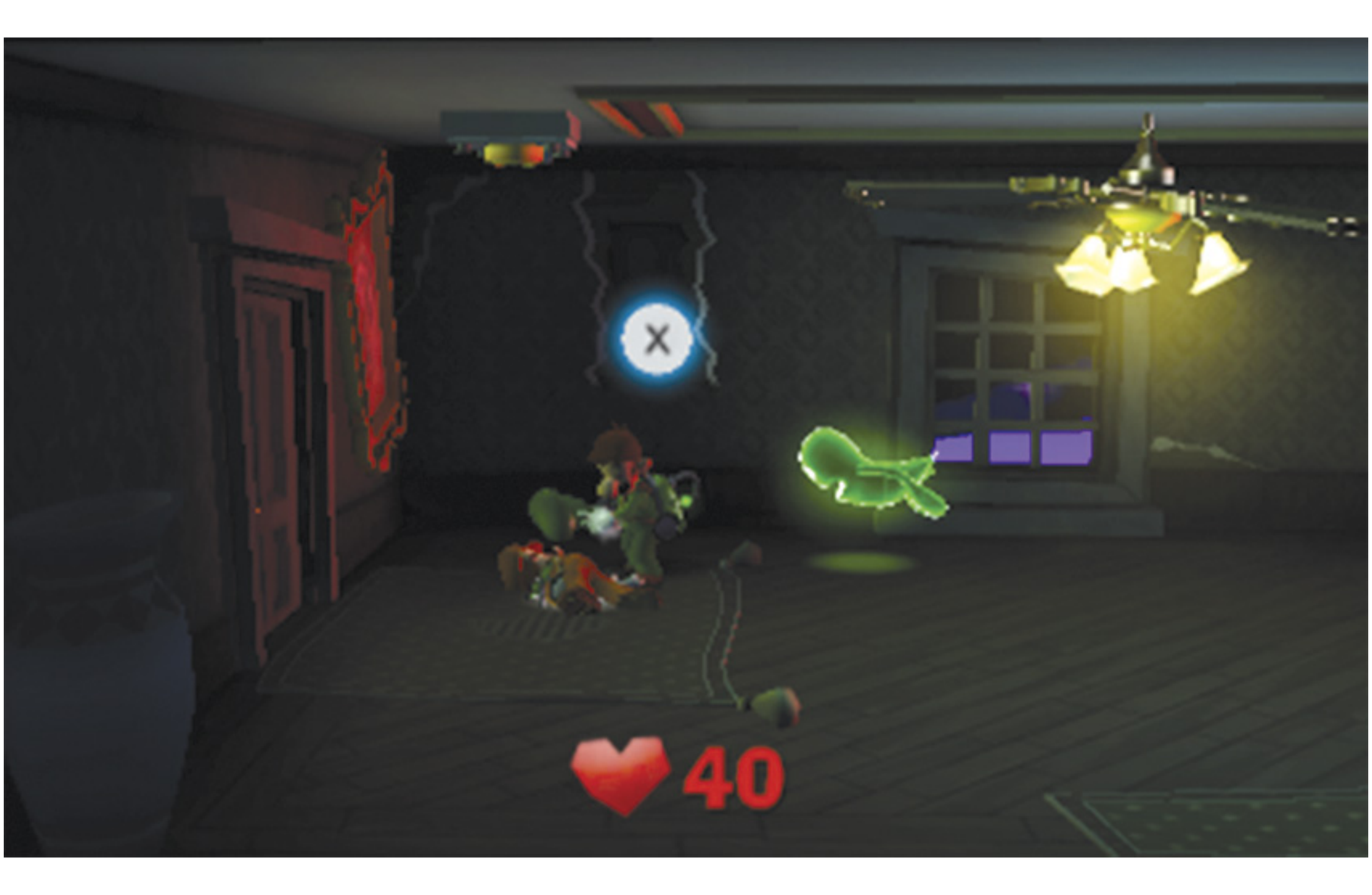
It's possible to become trapped while searching large vases. Once trapped, the only way to escape the vase is to have another player A-Pull the attached chain.



Rugs

Some rugs sink into the ground when you step on them. Once trapped, the only way to escape from the rug is to have another player A-Pull one of the attached tassels.

> **Note**
>
> When you're playing alone, curses, vases, and rugs are not active.

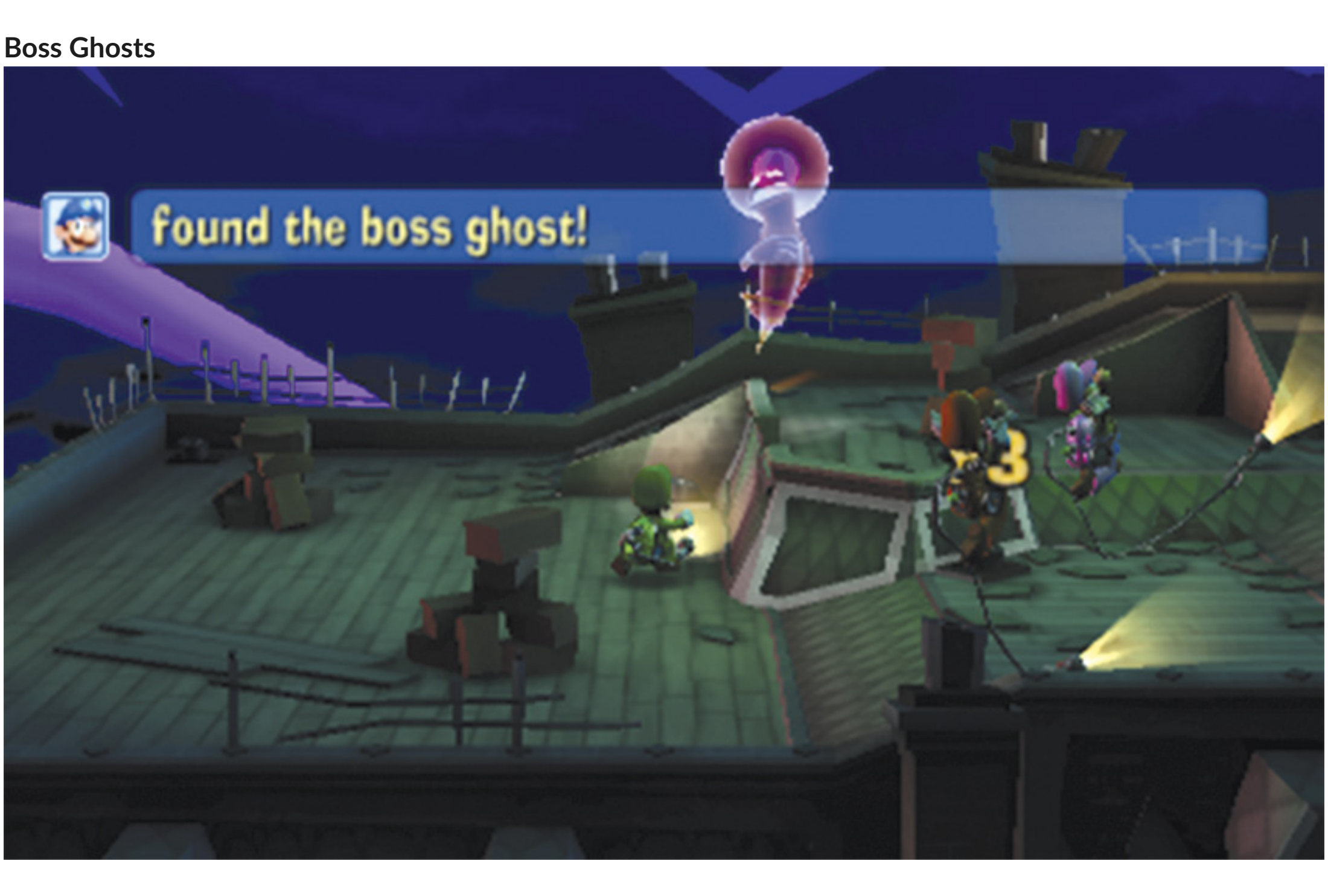


Reviving Downed Players

When players lose all of their health, approach the downed players and press Ⓧ to revive them.

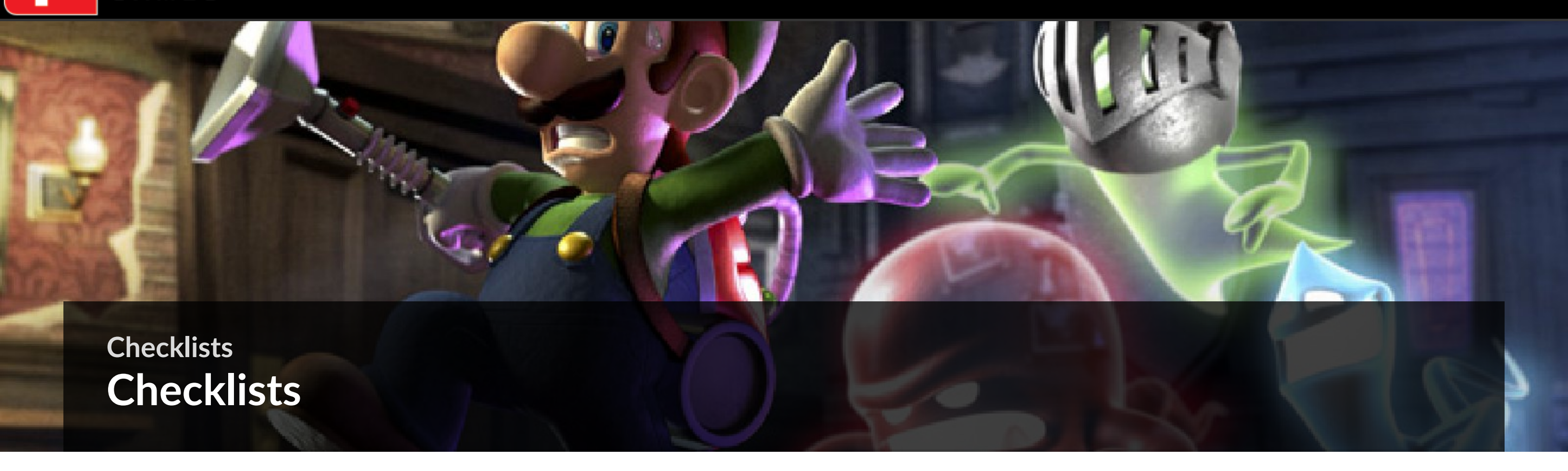
> **Note**
>
> On the Touch Screen Map, a red "X" indicates the location of a downed player.

Boss Ghosts



Each time you clear four floors of the ScareScraper, you'll encounter a boss ghost. Defeat the boss ghost to continue to the next floor. When you reach the top floor, capture the final boss ghost to complete the ScareScraper.

> **Additional Information**
>
> Here are a few things to keep in mind while playing ScareScraper:
>
> - Some wardrobes contain portals that transport you to other areas of the map.
> - Available Keys are marked on the Touch Screen map. Once you reach the room, you may have to defeat enemies or search objects before the Key is revealed.
> - Watermelons and pumpkins contain Hearts. Launch these objects with the Poltergust to smash them open.
> - Treasure collected by players is pooled together to unlock equipment upgrades. Each time an upgrade is unlocked, it's awarded to all players.
> - Just as in the Dark Moon Quest, the Dark-Light Device can be used to free items from framed sketches and reveal hidden objects.
> - Players using power-ups can be identified by the icons floating above them.
> - Restorators and glasses can sometimes be found by searching objects.



Checklists

Checklists

These checklists provide basic information about collecting Gems and capturing Boos. If needed, you can find additional information in the walkthrough—just click to the mission indicated on the checklist.

Gems

Gloomy Manor

Gem	Location	Mission	Notes
Round Amethyst	Mudroom Exterior	A-1 Poltergust 5000	Vacuum the Gem from the tree.
Trillion Amethyst	Front Yard	A-1 Poltergust 5000	Flash the purple flowers.
Baguette Amethyst	Parlor	A-2 Gear Up	Flash the clock.
Football Amethyst	Studio	A-2 Gear Up	Use the camera to locate the Gem near the window.
Drop Amethyst	Entrance	A-3 Quiet Please!	Search the armor, then launch the helmet into the painting.
Pebble Amethyst	Dining Room	A-3 Quiet Please!	Flash the safe in the ceiling.
Rhombus Amethyst	Kitchen	A-3 Quiet Please!	Grab the ice in the refrigerator and melt it on the stove.
Star Amethyst	Foyer	A-4 Visual Tricks	Reveal the missing door in the Patio, then head in and search behind the aquarium.
Octagon Amethyst	Patio	A-4 Visual Tricks	Use the Dark-Light Device to reveal the missing fountain.
Oval Amethyst	Library	A-4 Visual Tricks	Use the Dark-Light Device to reveal the missing globe. Launch the globe to break it open.
Spindle Amethyst	Study	A-4 Visual Tricks	A-Pull the curtains, then use the Dark-Light Device on the framed sketch.
Coffin Amethyst	Rafters	A-5 Sticky Situation	Collect the Gem from the top of the mirror.
Mushroom Amethyst	Bedroom	A-5 Sticky Situation	Clear the webs, then move behind the dressing screen.

Haunted Towers

Gem	Location	Mission	Notes
Round Emerald	Tower Lobby	B-1 A Job for a Plumber	The Gem is below the steps.
Trillion Emerald	Laboratories	B-1 A Job for a Plumber	Use a bulb to float into the glass tank.
Baguette Emerald	Garden	B-2 The Pinwheel Gate	Water the sprouts and flash the purple flowers.
Football Emerald	Botany Lab	B-2 The Pinwheel Gate	Water the sprout and flash the purple flower.
Drop Emerald	Seedling Laboratory	B-2 The Pinwheel Gate	Use the seed shooter to hit the mouse on the shelves.
Pebble Emerald	West Garden	B-2 The Pinwheel Gate	Water the sprout in the maintenance area, then launch a seed pod at the flytrap.
Rhombus Emerald	Hollow Tree	B-3 Graveyard Shift	Water the sprout in the east alcove and flash the purple flower.
Star Emerald	Old Graveyard	B-3 Graveyard Shift	Vacuum the Gem down from the trees near the large crow statue.
Octagon Emerald	Skybridge	B-4 Pool Party	A-Pull the orange flowers.
Oval Emerald	Rumpus Room	B-4 Pool Party	Circle the doll until its head pops off.
Spindle Emerald	Solarium	B-4 Pool Party	Use the Dark-Light Device to reveal the chest on the table.
Coffin Emerald	Conservatory	B-4 Pool Party	Reveal the hidden door and complete the bonus challenge.
Mushroom Emerald	West Bathroom	B-5 Doggone Key	A-Pull the roll of toilet paper.

Old Clockworks

Gem	Location	Mission	Notes
Round Ruby	Clockworks Court	C-1 A Timely Entrance	Use the Dark-Light Device to reveal the box at the end of the tracks.
Trillion Ruby	Warehouse	C-1 A Timely Entrance	Use the winding machine to unravel the spools.
Baguette Ruby	Clock Tower Gate	C-1 A Timely Entrance	Use the Dark-Light Device to reveal the box in the northwest corner.
Football Ruby	Storm Cellar	C-2 Underground Expedition	Shine the Dark-Light Device on the framed sketch above the bed.
Drop Ruby	Canyon Stairs	C-2 Underground Expedition	Vacuum the Gem down from the wall.
Pebble Ruby	Quarry	C-2 Underground Expedition	Drag the cart away from the wall, then vacuum the Gem inside the cave.
Rhombus Ruby	Clockmaker’s Chamber	C-3 Roundhouse Brawl	Spin the rotor under the rug to set the clock to 9:00.
Star Ruby	Roundhouse	C-3 Roundhouse Brawl	Use the beams to reach the box along the south wall.
Octagon Ruby	Roundhouse	C-3 Roundhouse Brawl	Step behind the crumbling bricks along the north wall.
Oval Ruby	Gear Chamber	C-5 Piece at Last	Enter the space behind the north wall and complete the bonus challenge through the door.
Spindle Ruby	Maintenance Hub	C-5 Piece at Last	Drop down from the large gear and use the Dark-Light Device to reveal the chest.
Coffin Ruby	Service Elevator	C-5 Piece at Last	Launch the Toad Assistant at the Gem along the south wall.
Mushroom Ruby	Movements	Showtime	Vacuum the Gem from the window.

Secret Mine

Gem	Location	Mission	Notes
Round Sapphire	Smokehouse	D-1 Cold Case	Use the Dark-Light Device to reveal the missing scarf, then A-Pull both scarves.
Trillion Sapphire	Fishing Hut	D-1 Cold Case	Vacuum the Gem under the floorboards.
Baguette Sapphire	Under the Ice	D-1 Cold Case	Launch the Toad into the top of the shaft.
Football Sapphire	High Wires	D-1 Cold Case	Ride the first cable and vacuum the Gem down from the nest.
Drop Sapphire	Airway	D-1 Cold Case	Use the binoculars to locate the Gem; collect it after it moves to the barrel.
Pebble Sapphire	Chalet Approach	D-2 Hit Rock Bottom	Use a flaming turkey to melt the ice, then shine the Dark-Light Device at the framed sketch.
Rhombus Sapphire	Prospector’s Crossing	D-2 Hit Rock Bottom	Reveal the missing pickaxe and spin it. Carry both logs onto the ice.
Star Sapphire	Skip Slope	D-2 Hit Rock Bottom	Slide through the spinning wheel near the west wall.
Octagon Sapphire	Shaft	D-2 Hit Rock Bottom	A-Pull the chain at the base of the Shaft, then ride back up to find the Gem.
Oval Sapphire	Deep Hall	D-2 Hit Rock Bottom	Ignite a piece of coal, then launch it at the Gem in the ceiling.
Spindle Sapphire	Crossroads	D-3 Across the Chasm	Reveal the cart on the west ledge and vacuum the snow mound inside it.
Coffin Sapphire	Chalet	D-3 Across the Chasm	Use the Crystal Quarry E-Gate to drop onto the Chalet couch.
Mushroom Sapphire	High Wires	D-3 Across the Chasm	Reach the outhouse and complete the bonus challenge within it.

Treacherous Mansion

Gem	Location	Mission	Notes
Round Diamond	Underground Lab	E-1 Front-Door Key	Spin the wheel to zap the armor, then launch the helmet at the glass jar on the wall.
Trillion Diamond	Haunted Catacombs	E-1 Front-Door Key	Burn the webs in the second half of the Haunted Catacombs.
Baguette Diamond	Cliffside	E-1 Front-Door Key	Reach the Cliffside’s B2 level and vacuum the Gem down from the vine.
Football Diamond	Front Entrance	E-2 Double Trouble	Reveal and A-Pull the missing chain attached to the gargoyle, then open the safe under the stairs.
Drop Diamond	Restrooms	E-2 Double Trouble	A-Pull the chain in the west half of the Restrooms.
Pebble Diamond	Gargoyle Roof	E-2 Double Trouble	Launch the stars into the constellation’s empty slots.
Rhombus Diamond	Ancient Exhibit	E-2 Double Trouble	Water the sprout near the door, then flash the purple flower.
Star Diamond	Aviation Exhibit	E-3 A Train to Catch	A-Pull each of the hot air balloon’s sandbags.
Octagon Diamond	Nautical Exhibit	E-3 A Train to Catch	Open the chest at the end of the pirate ship.
Oval Diamond	Dark Age Exhibit	E-3 A Train to Catch	Place the blue book from the Front Entrance into the slot on the bookcase.
Spindle Diamond	Jungle Exhibit	E-3 A Train to Catch	Use the gold bulb to collect the coins that appear, then open the revealed chest.
Coffin Diamond	Ice Age Exhibit	E-3 A Train to Catch	Use the gold bulb to collect the coins that appear, then open the revealed chest.
Mushroom Diamond	Train Exhibit	E-3 A Train to Catch	Reveal the missing piece of the track, then ride the train around the room.

Many Gems can be collected in more than one mission.

Boos

Gloomy Manor

Mission	Location	Notes
A-1 Poltergust 5000	Garage	Reveal the spare tire near the door.
A-2 Gear Up	Mudroom	Reveal the small table near the south wall.
A-3 Quiet Please!	Studio	Reveal the Easel under the tarp.
A-4 Visual Tricks	Dining Room	The Boo is in the room when you arrive.
A-5 Sticky Situation	Library	Reveal the Piano.

Haunted Towers

Mission	Location	Notes
B-1 A Job for a Plumber	Hydro Generator	Reveal the tool chest in the northeast corner.
B-2 The Pinwheel Gate	Sewer	A-Pull the flower in the ceiling.
B-3 Graveyard Shift	Crypt	Reveal the urn near the east wall.
B-4 Pool Party	Family Room	Reveal and the portrait on the north wall.
B-5 Doggone Key	Tool Shed	Reveal all hidden items.

Old Clockworks

Mission	Location	Notes
C-1 A Timely Entrance	Warehouse	Unravel the red spool near the southeast corner.
C-2 Underground Expedition	Quarry	Reveal the bridge at the top of the Quarry
C-3 Roundhouse Brawl	Kiln Room	This Boo appears when you defeat the Greenies.
C-4 Play Catch	Clock Tower Gate	Reveal the lantern east of the clockface.
C-5 Piece at Last	Crank Room	Reveal the chest in the secret area behind the west wall.

Secret Mine

Mission	Location	Notes
D-1 Cold Case	Terminal	After returning from the Airway, reveal the barrel south of the mirror.
D-2 Hit Rock Bottom	Chalet	Reveal the rocking chair.
D-3 Across the Chasm	Deep Hall	Reveal the teakettle, then slide it over the fire.

Treacherous Mansion

Mission	Location	Notes
E-1 Front-Door Key	Underground Lab	Spin the wheel to zap the armor.
E-2 Double Trouble	Inner Courtyard	Launch a Toad Assistant into each cage.
E-3 A Train to Catch	Dark Age Exhibit	Use the gold flower to collect the coins, then open the chest.
E-4 Ambush Maneuver	Train Exhibit	Defeat the Big Boo.
E-5 Paranormal Chaos	Aviation Exhibit	Reveal the hot air balloon.

If a Boo doesn’t appear after you reveal the appropriate object, you must investigate the object to draw out the enemy.

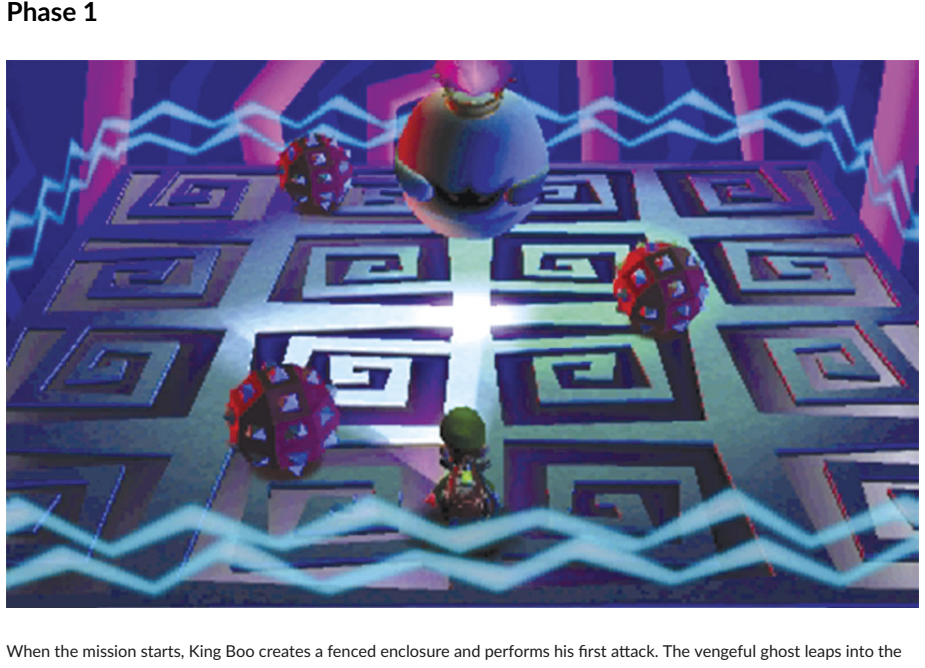
King Boo's Illusion

A Nightmare to Remember

Professor E. Gadd's Mission Description

This is it, Luigi. It's time to stop King Boo for good and rescue your brother.

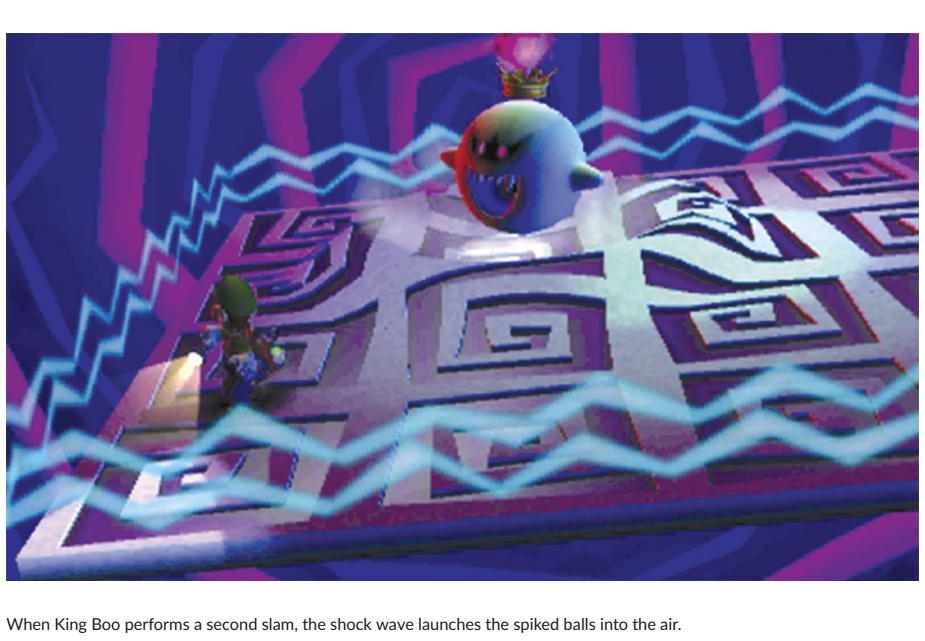
Phase 1



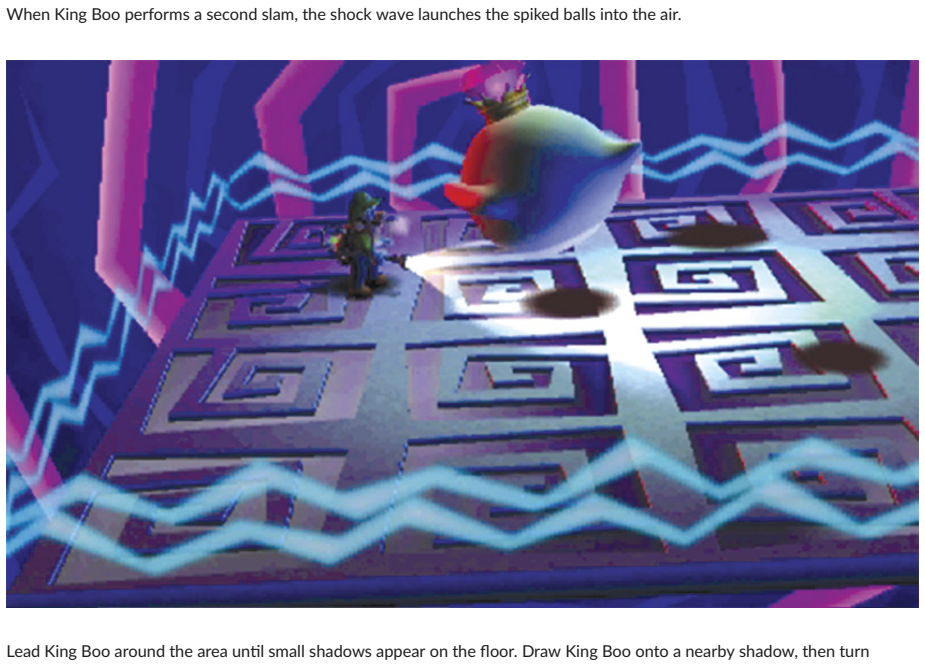
When the mission starts, King Boo creates a fenced enclosure and performs his first attack. The vengeful ghost leaps into the air and slams down to the floor. The force not only sends a shock wave through the area, it causes three spiked balls to drop into the enclosure. Aside from his initial attack, King Boo refuses to act while you're facing him. Dodge the spiked balls and run through enclosure until King Boo makes his next move.

Note

If you flash King Boo with the Strobulb, he vanishes and reappears behind you.



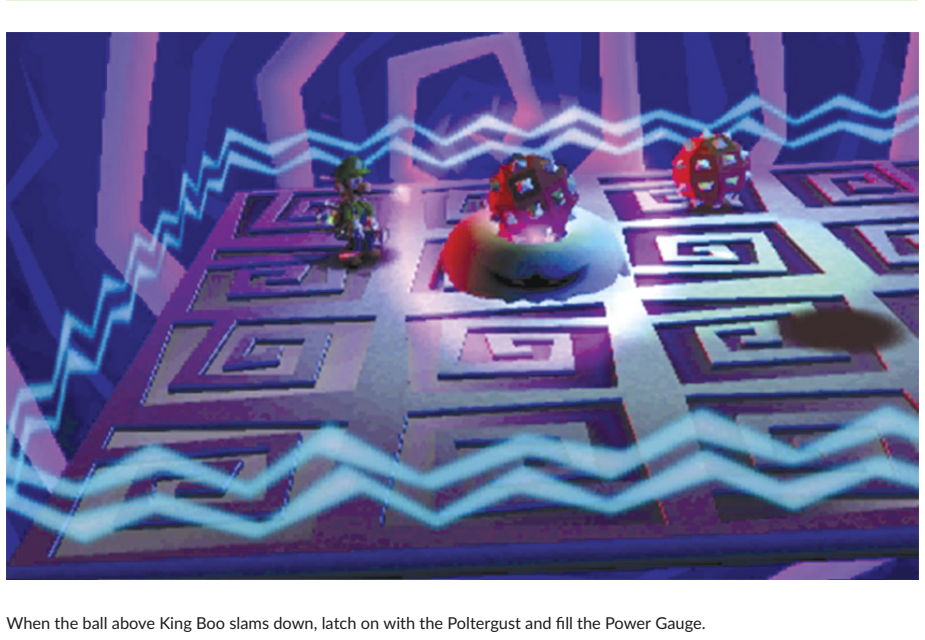
When King Boo performs a second slam, the shock wave launches the spiked balls into the air.



Lead King Boo around the area until small shadows appear on the floor. Draw King Boo onto a nearby shadow, then turn around and face him. King Boo covers his eyes and stops moving—he'll only endure this stalemate for a few seconds, but it should be more than enough time for the balls to come crashing to the floor.

Tip

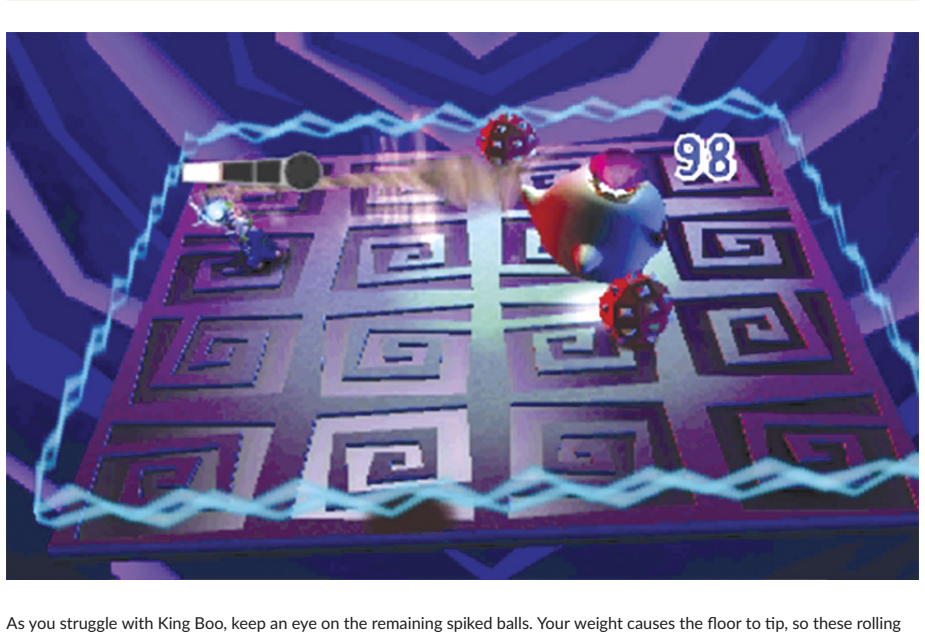
When you face King Boo for more than few seconds, he starts to shake. This means he's about to vanish and reappear behind you. To prevent this, turn away just long enough to get his attention, then turn back to prevent him from wandering too far from the shadow.



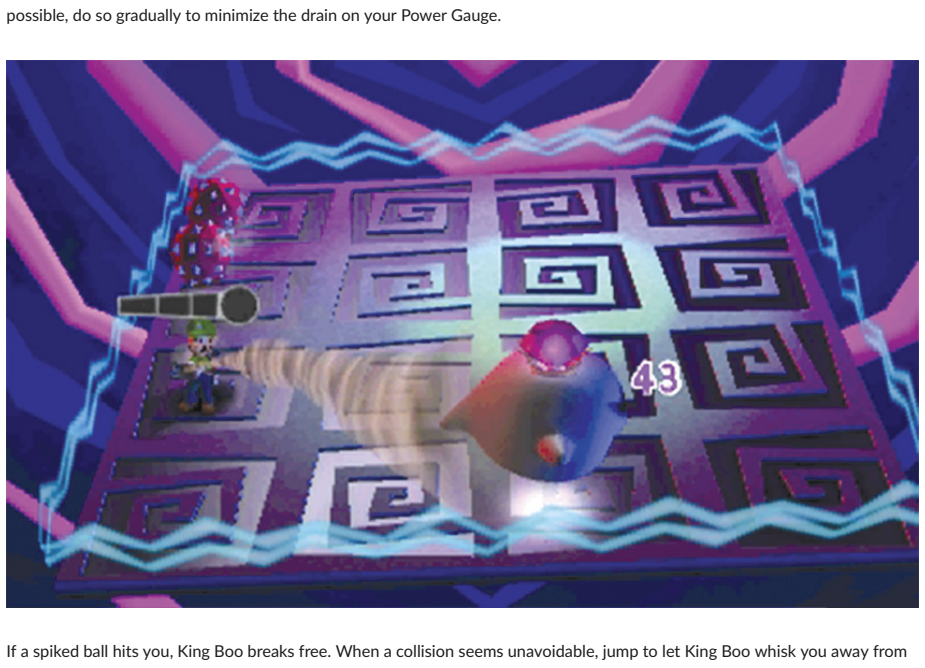
When the ball above King Boo slams down, latch on with the Poltergust and fill the Power Gauge.

Tip

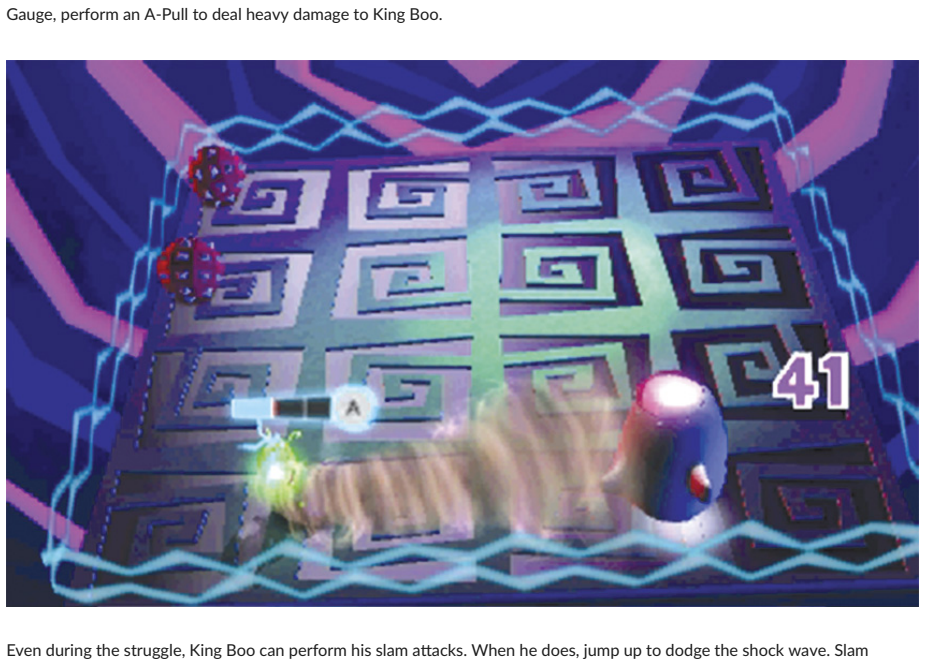
Make sure you face King Boo until the ball lands. If your back is turned at the moment of impact, King Boo dashes out of the way.



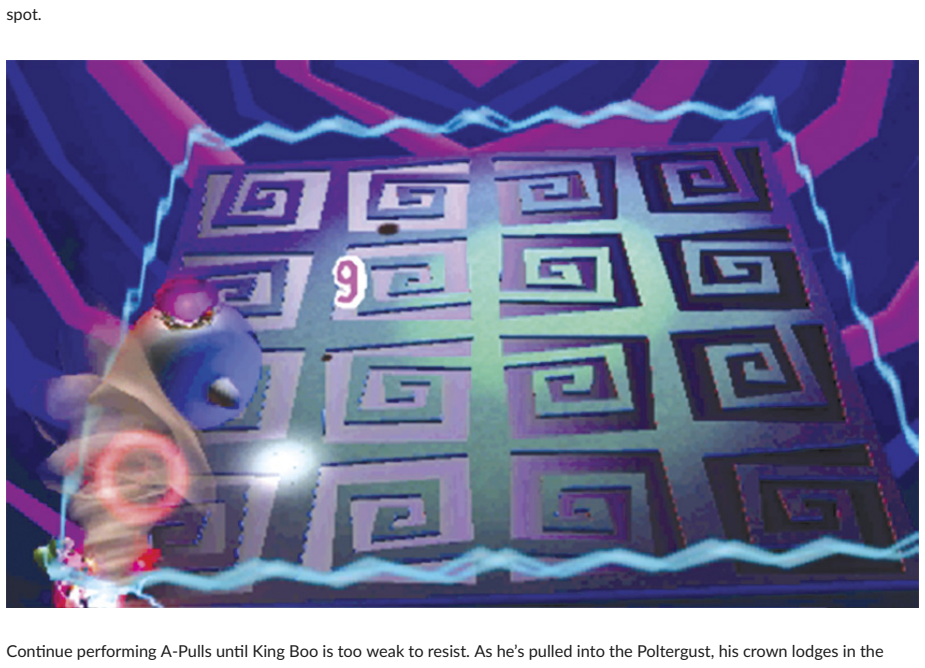
As you struggle with King Boo, keep an eye on the remaining spiked balls. Your weight causes the floor to tip, so these rolling hazards are almost always heading your way. If you're in danger of getting hit, allow King Boo to drag you to a safer area. If possible, do so gradually to minimize the drain on your Power Gauge.



If a spiked ball hits you, King Boo breaks free. When a collision seems unavoidable, jump to let King Boo whisk you away from danger. This empties your Power Gauge, but it allows you to maintain your hold on King Boo. Each time you fill your Power Gauge, perform an A-Pull to deal heavy damage to King Boo.

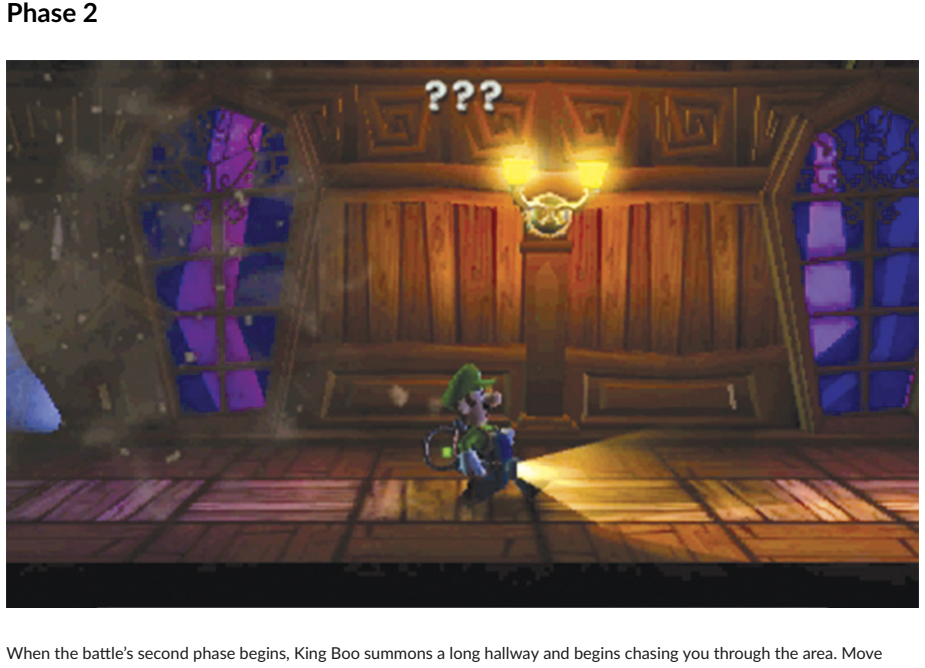


Even during the struggle, King Boo can perform his slam attacks. When he does, jump up to dodge the shock wave. Slam attacks also launch the spiked balls into the air. When this happens, watch for the shadow that indicates each ball's landing spot.



Continue performing A-Pulls until King Boo is too weak to resist. As he's pulled into the Poltergust, his crown lodges in the nozzle, allowing him to break free. King Boo emerges from the Poltergust and starts the battle's next phase.

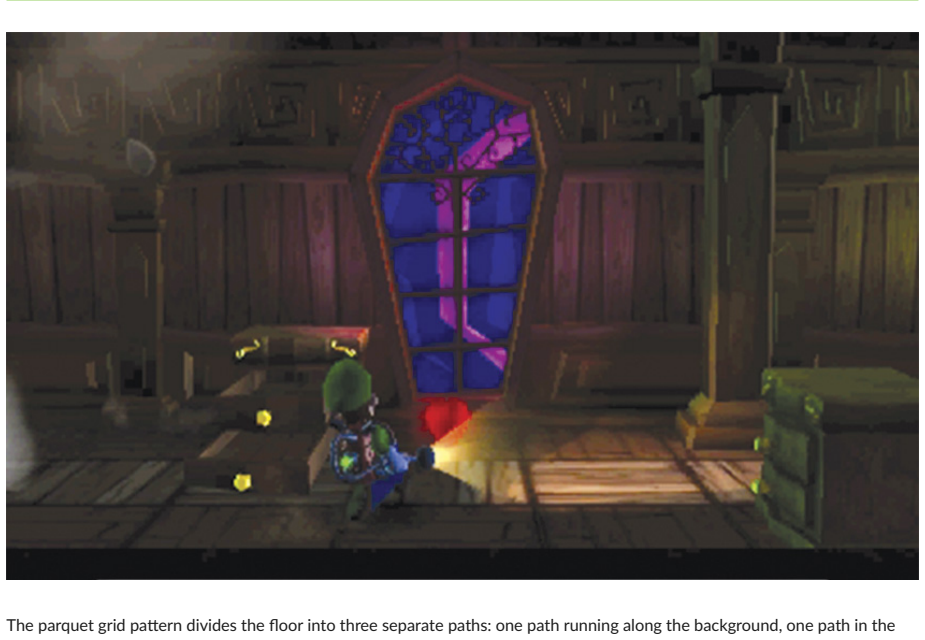
Phase 2



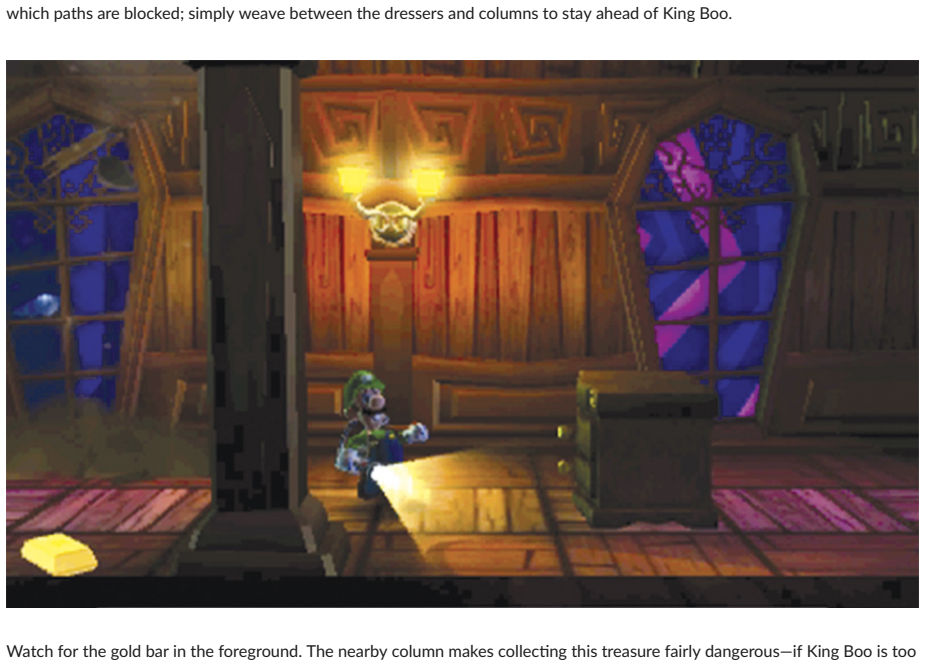
When the battle's second phase begins, King Boo summons a long hallway and begins chasing you through the area. Move quickly to stay ahead of the ghost, and dodge the obstacles that appear in your path. As you run through the obstacle course, look for Hearts and treasure placed along the path. These items are occasionally used to lure you into dangerous situations, but they often mark the best path through the area.

Tip

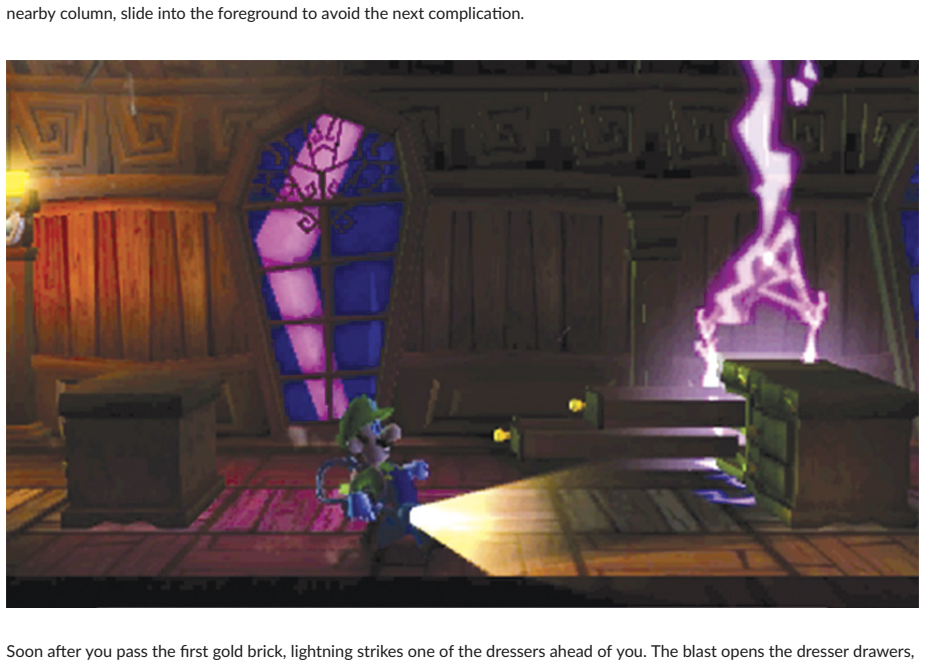
If King Boo catches you, the impact costs you 20 points of health. Don't let this discourage you! Try to regain your lead while King Boo is busy gloating. If you collect the Hearts along the path, it's fairly easy to start the battle's next phase with full health.



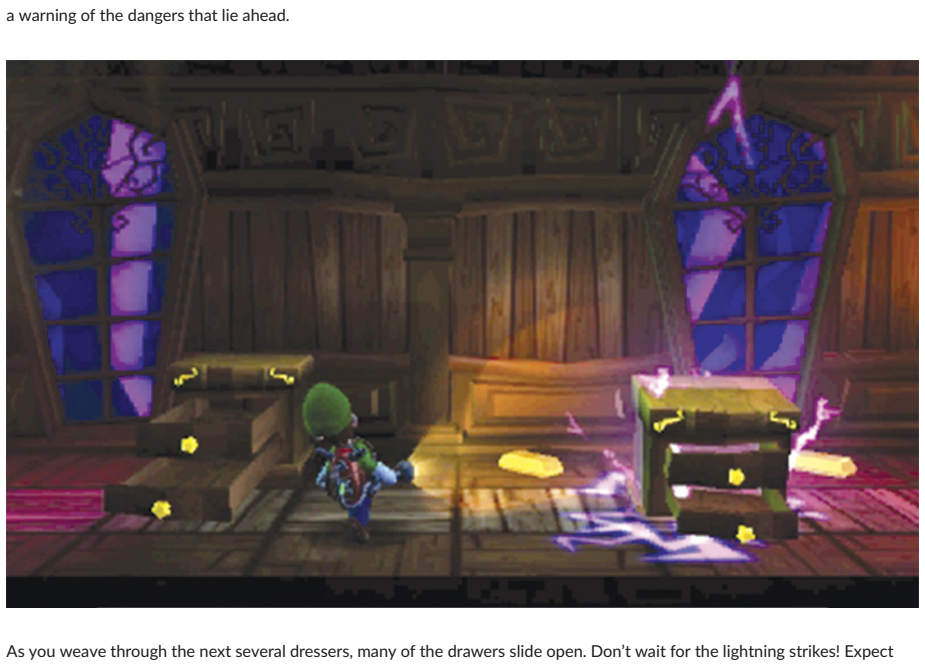
The parquet grid pattern divides the floor into three separate paths: one path running along the background, one path in the foreground, and one path right down the middle of the hall. Toward the beginning of the chase, it's fairly easy to recognize which paths are blocked; simply weave between the dressers and columns to stay ahead of King Boo.



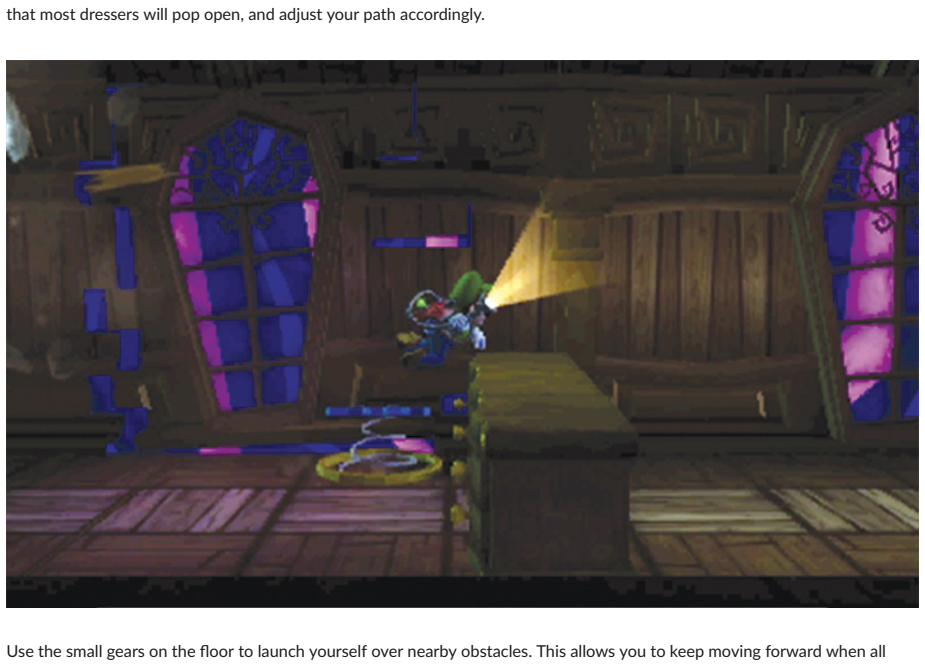
Watch for the gold bar in the foreground. The nearby column makes collecting this treasure fairly dangerous—if King Boo is too close for comfort, stick to the middle path. Either way, the gold bar serves as an important landmark. As you move past the nearby column, slide into the foreground to avoid the next complication.



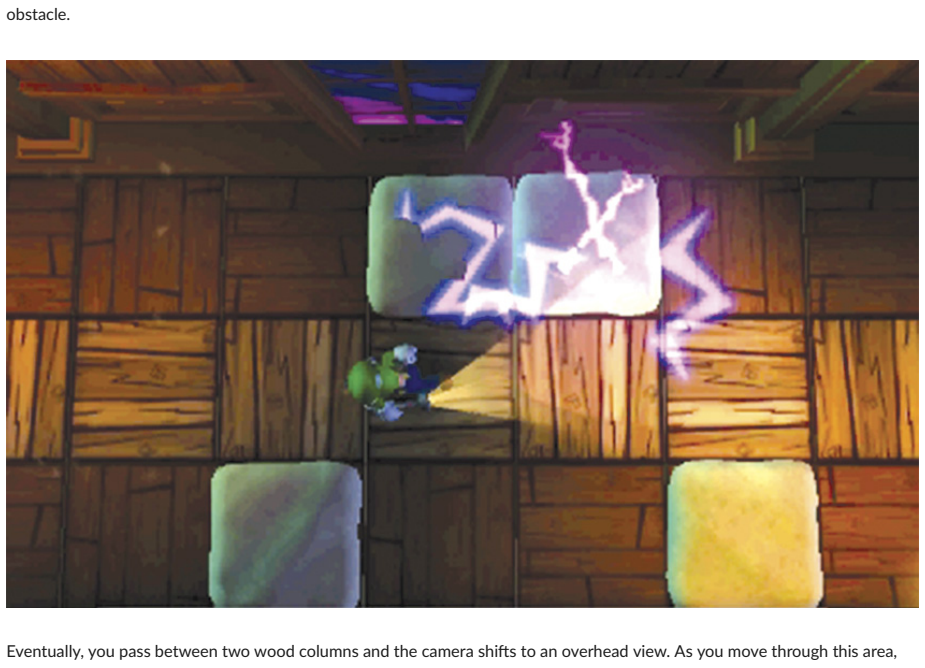
Soon after you pass the first gold brick, lightning strikes one of the dressers ahead of you. The blast opens the dresser drawers, blocking an additional parquet square. Since you moved to the foreground, this won't affect your path. However, consider this a warning of the dangers that lie ahead.



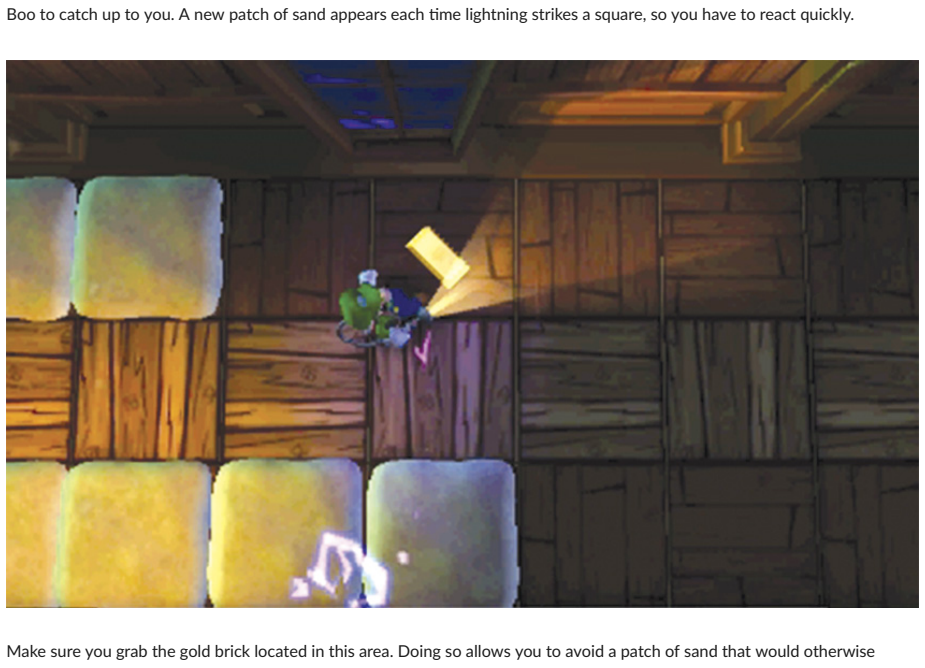
As you weave through the next several dressers, many of the drawers slide open. Don't wait for the lightning strikes! Expect that most dressers will pop open, and adjust your path accordingly.



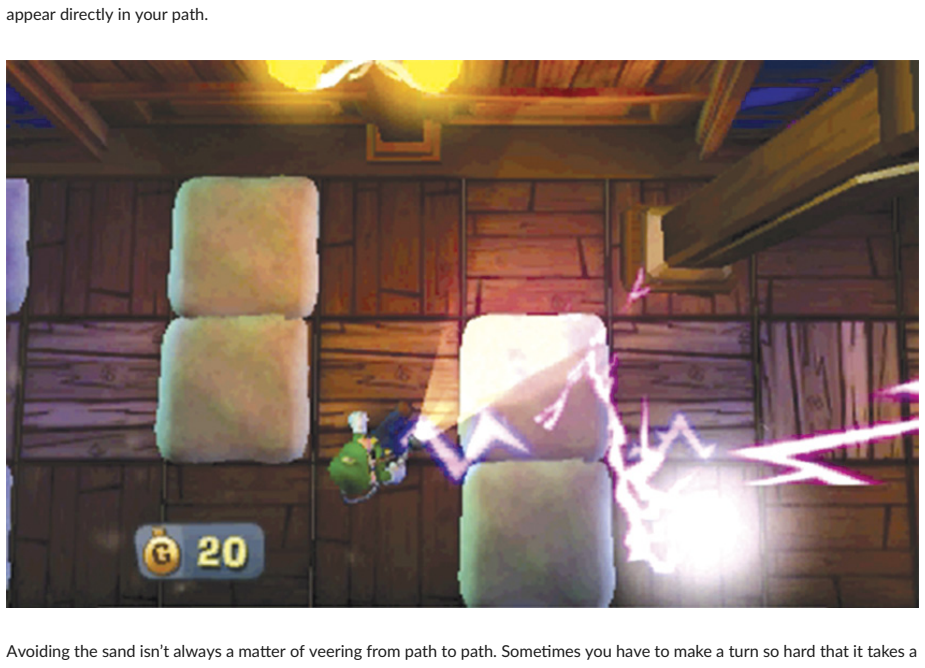
Use the small gears on the floor to launch yourself over nearby obstacles. This allows you to keep moving forward when all three paths are blocked. Even when it isn't required, however, using a small gear is always faster than weaving around an obstacle.



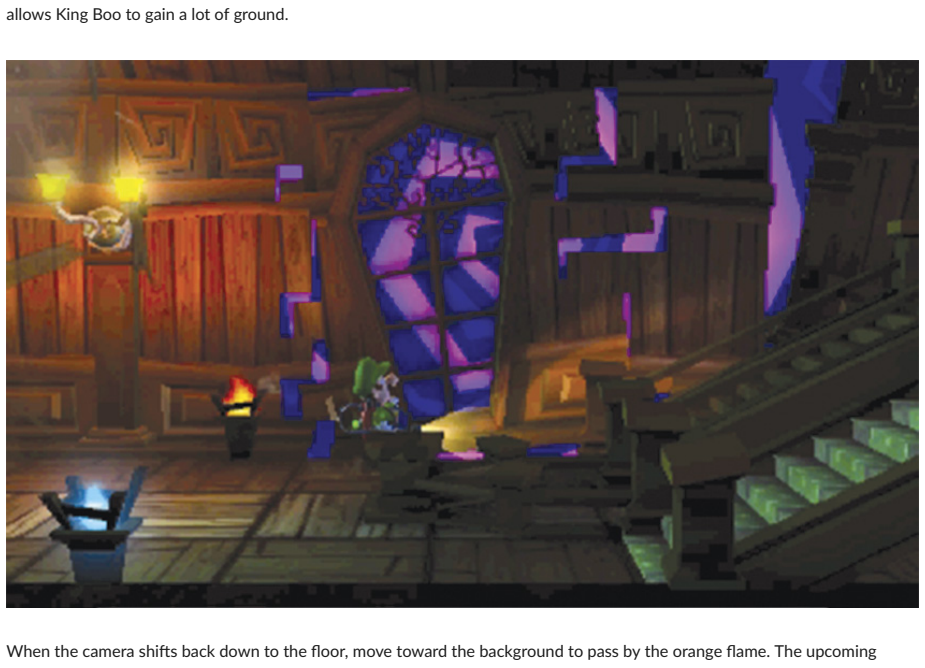
Eventually, you pass between two wood columns and the camera shifts to an overhead view. As you move through this area, you must avoid any sand-covered parquet squares. Running in sand greatly reduces your speed, making it very easy for King Boo to catch up to you. A new patch of sand appears each time lightning strikes a square, so you have to react quickly.



Make sure you grab the gold brick located in this area. Doing so allows you to avoid a patch of sand that would otherwise appear directly in your path.



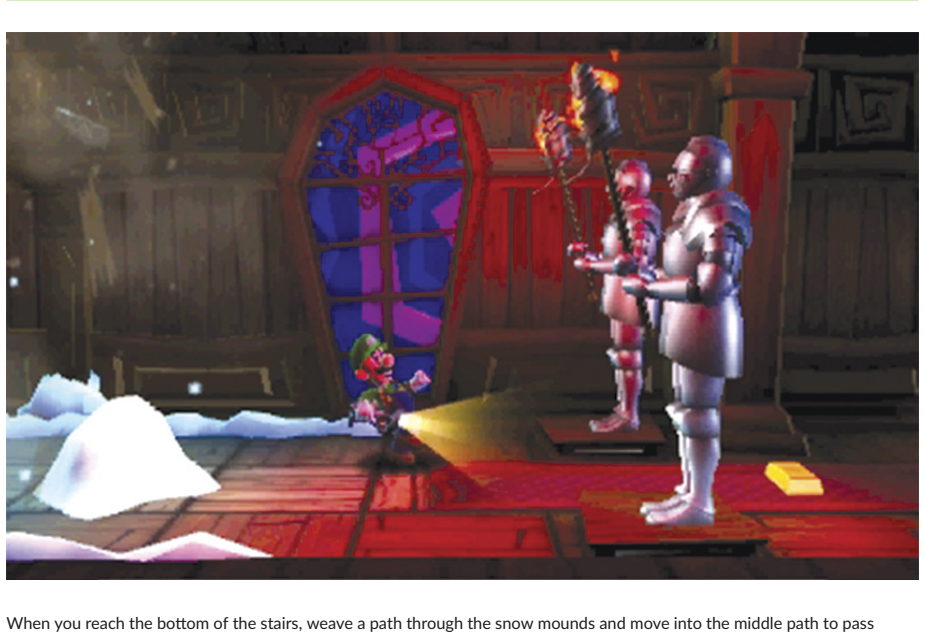
Avoiding the sand isn't always a matter of veering from path to path. Sometimes you have to make a turn so hard that it takes a full second or two before you're safely past the hazard. Don't cut corners! Even grazing the sand on the way through the area allows King Boo to gain a lot of ground.



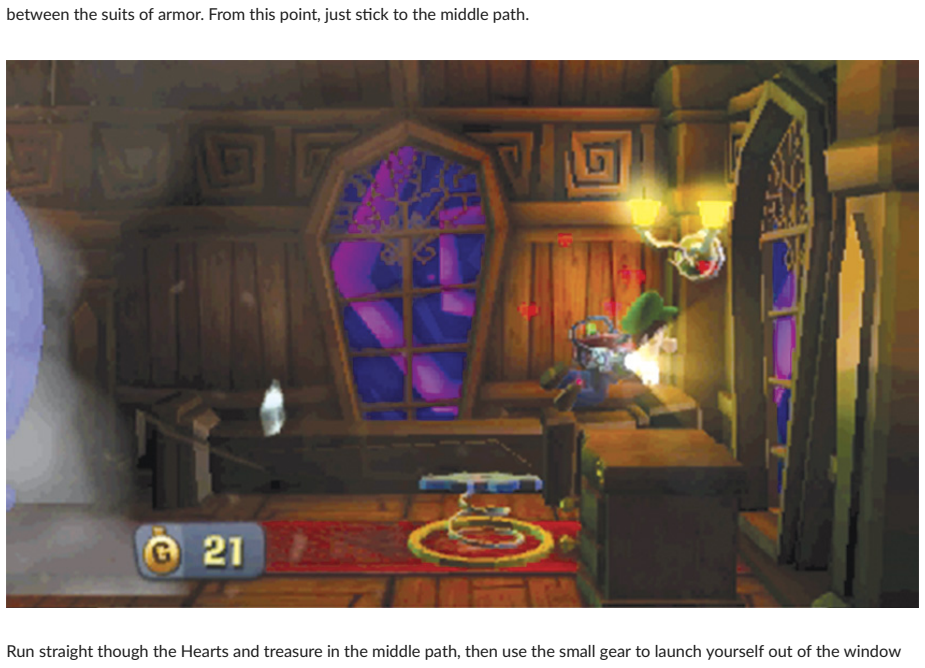
When the camera shifts back down to the floor, move toward the background to pass by the orange flame. The upcoming stairs block the middle path, and the blue flame in the foreground indicates that set of stairs is haunted. Stick near the background as you run up the stairs across the platform, and back down to the floor.

Tip

When you reach the top of the stairs, there's a Heart in the middle path. If you've taken any damage, swoop down and grab it—just make sure you return to the background path before you reach the next set of stairs.

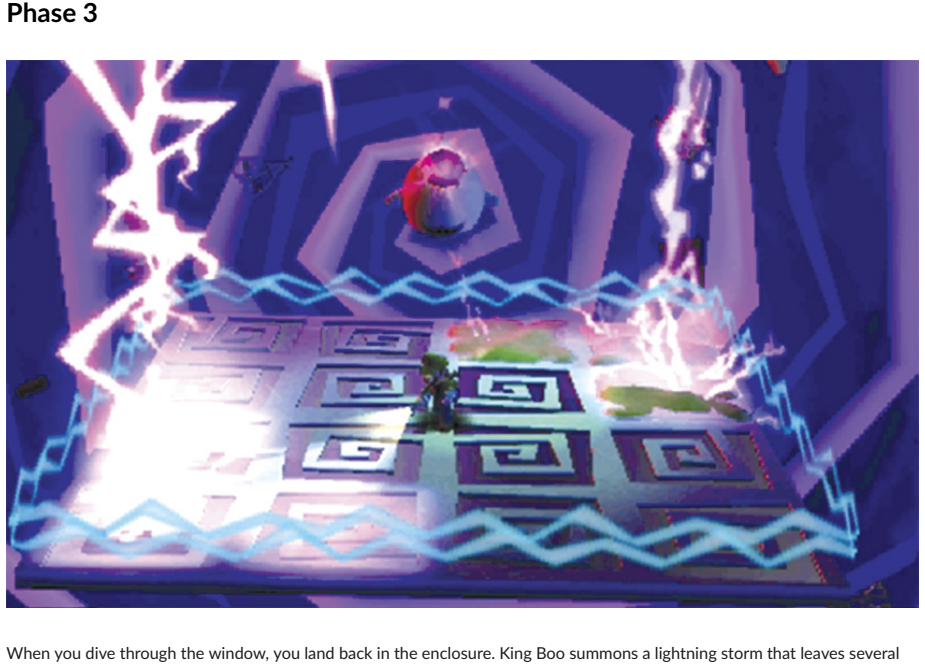


When you reach the bottom of the stairs, weave a path through the snow mounds and move into the middle path to pass between the suits of armor. From this point, just stick to the middle path.

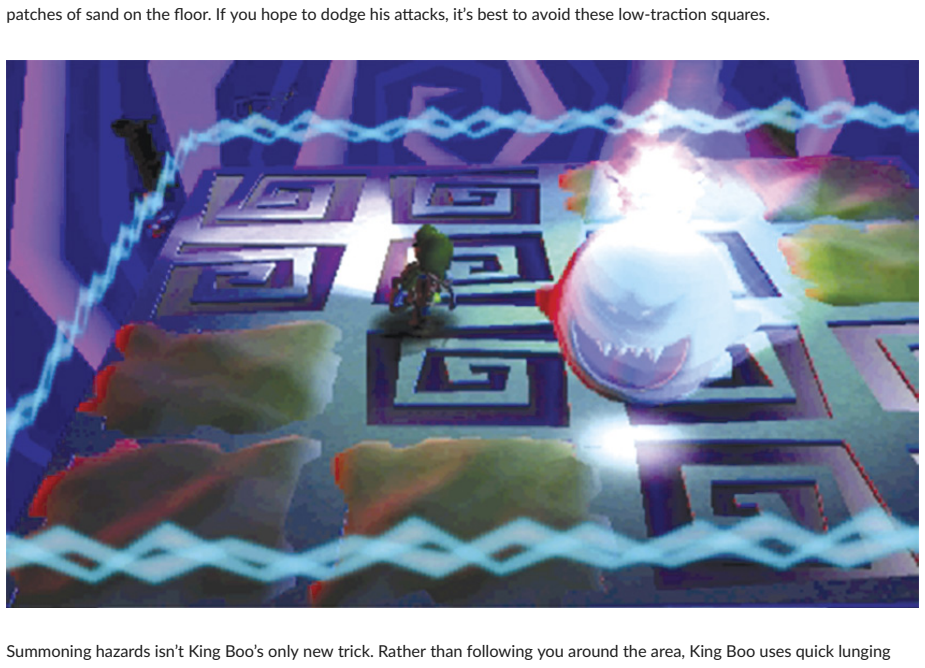


Run straight though the Hearts and treasure in the middle path, then use the small gear to launch yourself out of the window and into the battle's next phase.

Phase 3



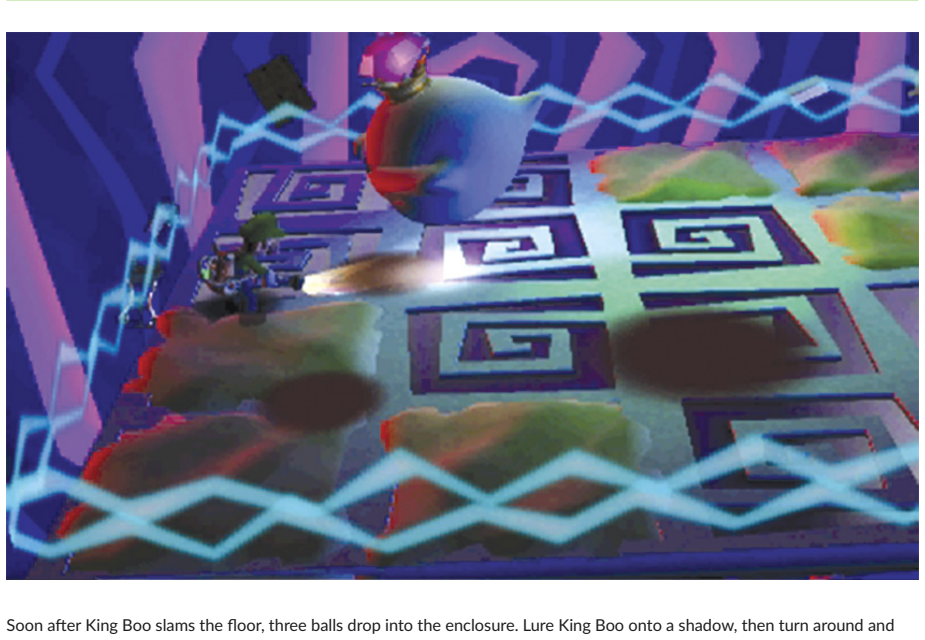
When you dive through the window, you land back in the enclosure. King Boo summons a lightning storm that leaves several patches of sand on the floor. If you hope to dodge his attacks, it's best to avoid these low-traction squares.



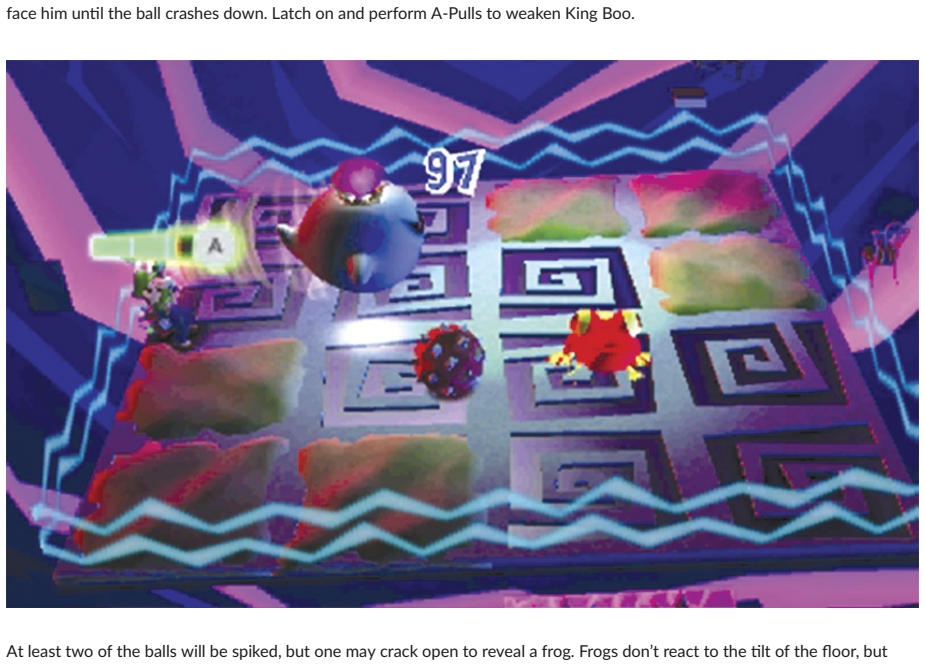
Summoning hazards isn't King Boo's only new trick. Rather than following you around the area, King Boo uses quick lunging attacks to deal damage and knock you to the floor. King Boo emits a blinding glow just before each lunge. Circle away to get out of King Boo's path, and keep moving until he performs a slam attack.

Tip

If you face King Boo as soon as the glow appears, you can interrupt his attack. If you're too slow, however, King Boo lunges toward you whether or not your back is turned.



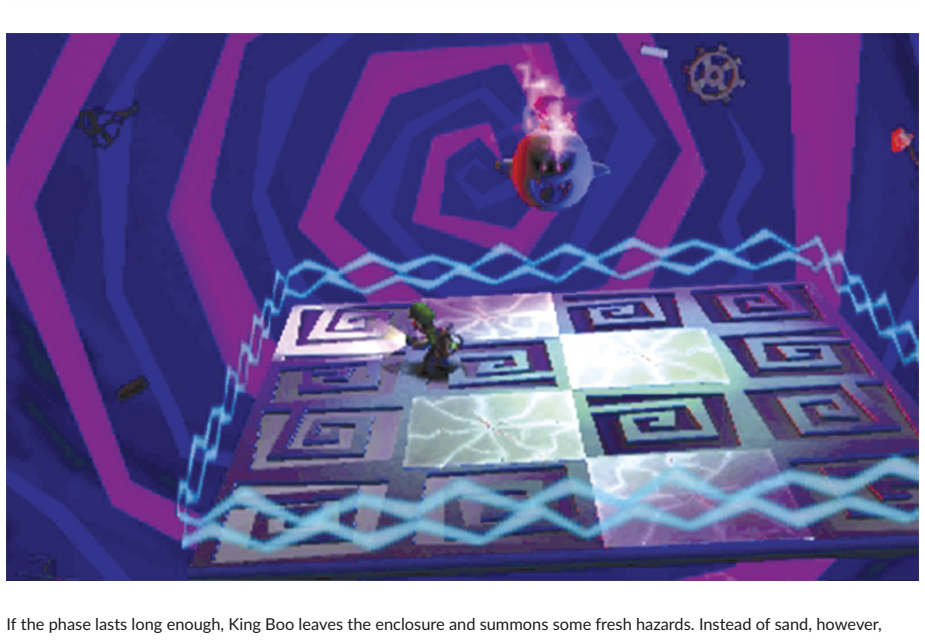
Soon after King Boo slams the floor, three balls drop into the enclosure. Lure King Boo onto a shadow, then turn around and face him until the ball crashes down. Latch on and perform A-Pulls to weaken King Boo.



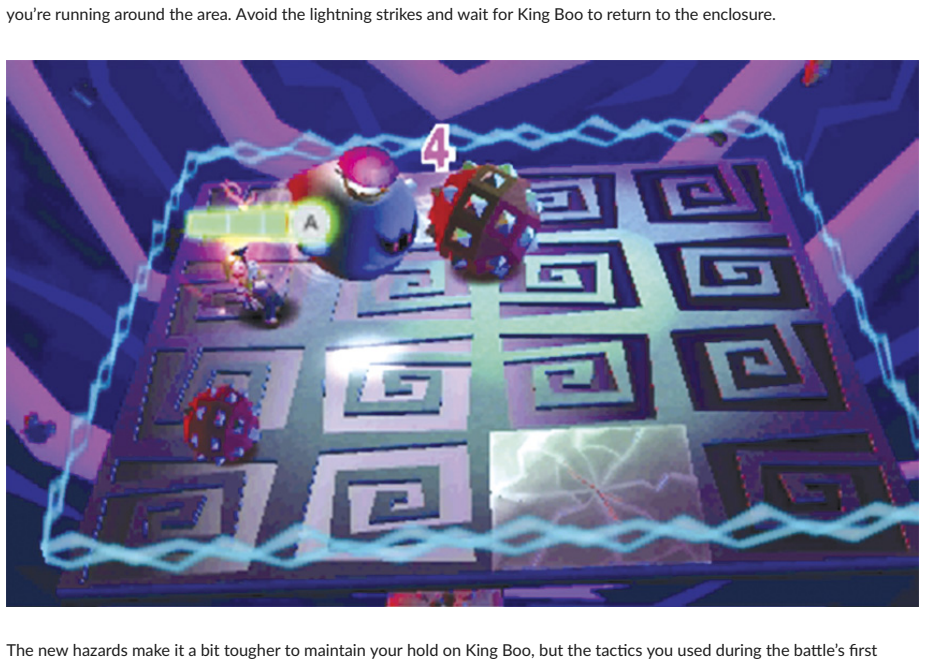
At least two of the balls will be spiked, but one may crack open to reveal a frog. Frogs don't react to the tilt of the floor, but they do hop around the enclosure. While they may not move as fast as the spiked balls, it's much more difficult to anticipate a frog's path.

Note

You'll also notice that each group contains one ball that's much larger than the others. Large spiked balls behave just like the smaller variety, but they're too big to jump over. When the large ball contains a frog, the oversized critter presents a similar challenge.

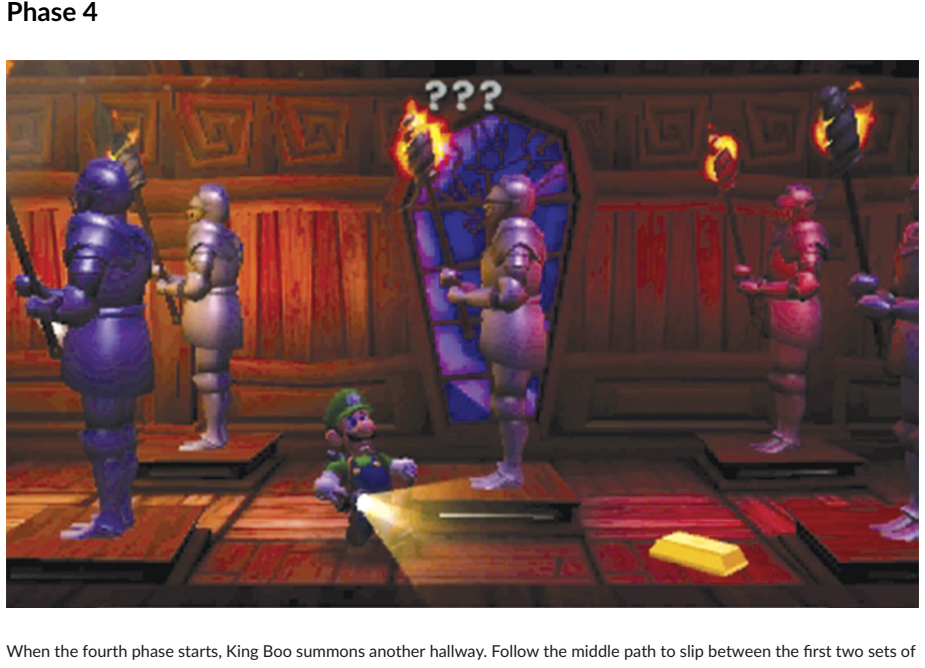


If the phase lasts long enough, King Boo leaves the enclosure and summons some fresh hazards. Instead of sand, however, several of the tiles are covered in ice. This slippery surface makes it difficult to change, direction, so keep that in mind when you're running around the area. Avoid the lightning strikes and wait for King Boo to return to the enclosure.

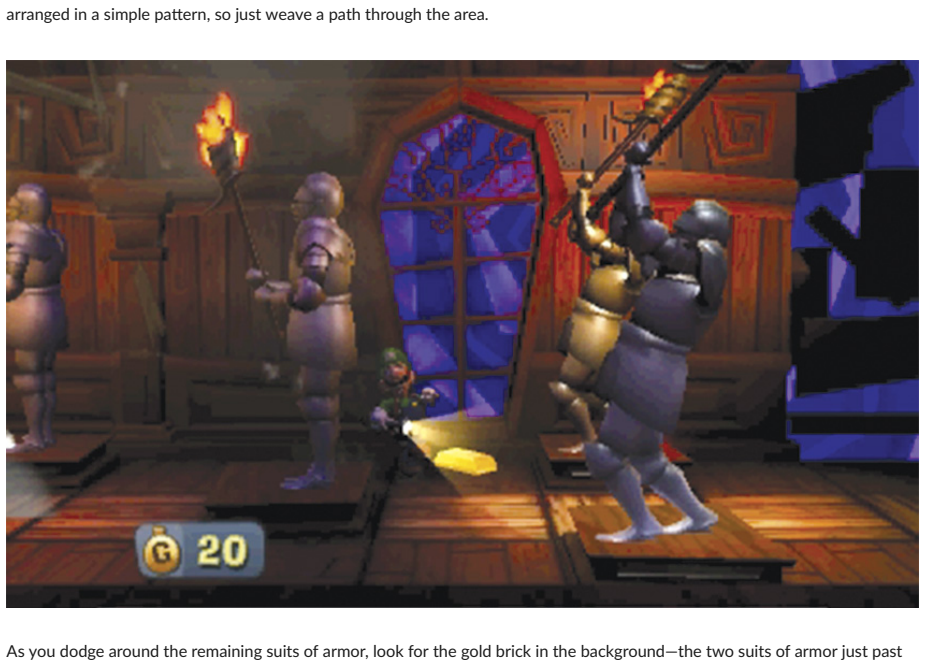


The new hazards make it a bit tougher to maintain your hold on King Boo, but the tactics you used during the battle's first phase are still effective. Perform an A-Pull each time you fill your Power Gauge, and allow King Boo to drag you away from dangerous situations. If he breaks free, dodge King Boo until he performs another slam attack, then use the established methods to stun him and latch on. Chip away at King Boo until he starts the battle's next phase.

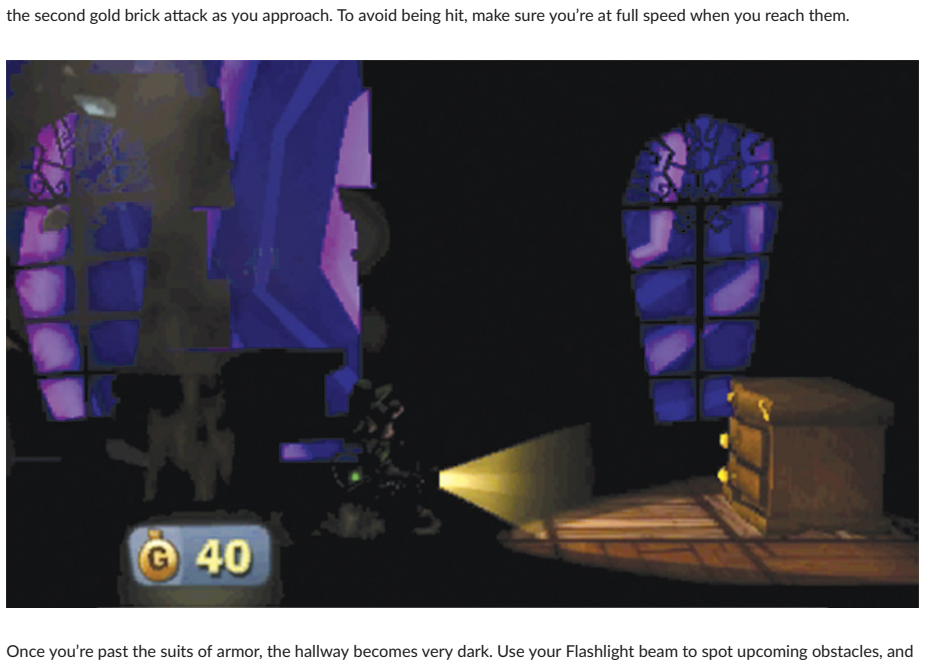
Phase 4



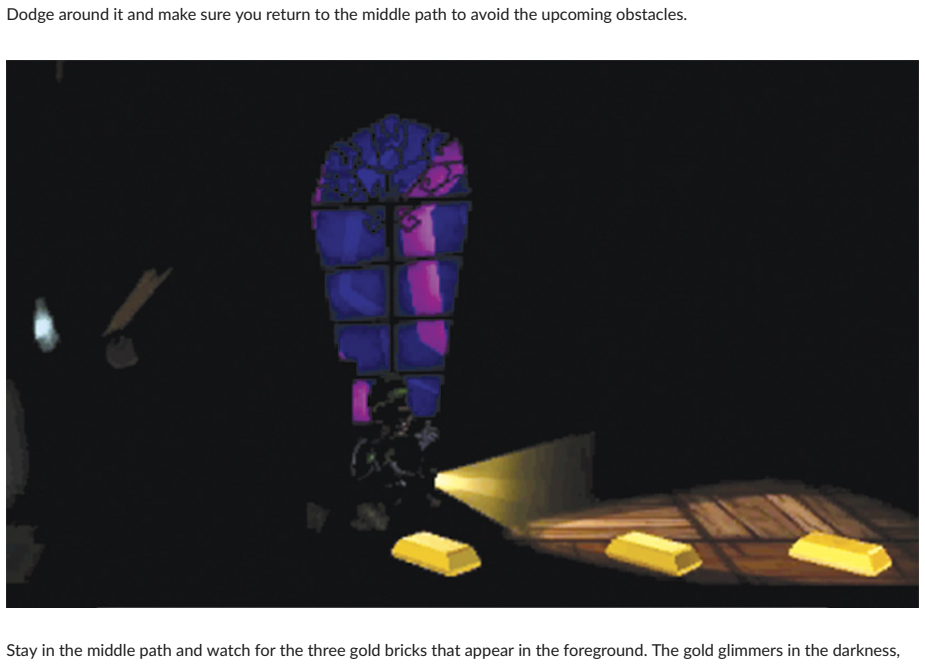
When the fourth phase starts, King Boo summons another hallway. Follow the middle path to slip between the first two sets of armor, slip down and grab the gold brick in the foreground, then move back up to the middle path. The suits of armor are arranged in a simple pattern, so just weave a path through the area.



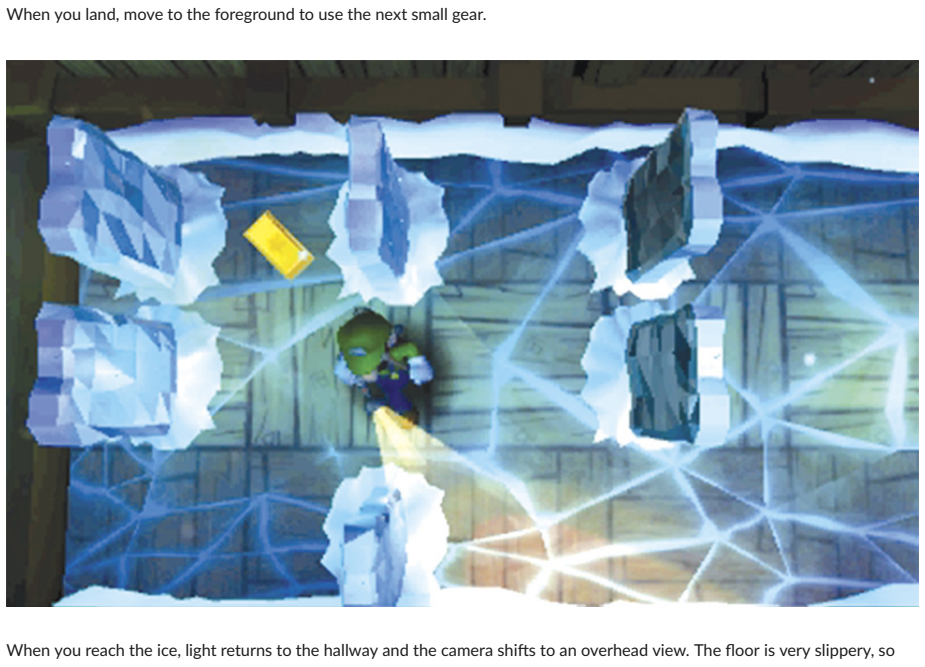
As you dodge around the remaining suits of armor, look for the gold brick in the background—the two suits of armor just past the second gold brick attack as you approach. To avoid being hit, make sure you're at full speed when you reach them.



Once you're past the suits of armor, the hallway becomes very dark. Use your Flashlight beam to spot upcoming obstacles, and watch for the intermittent lightning that illuminates the area. Follow the middle path until you see a dresser ahead of you. Dodge around it and make sure you return to the middle path to avoid the upcoming obstacles.



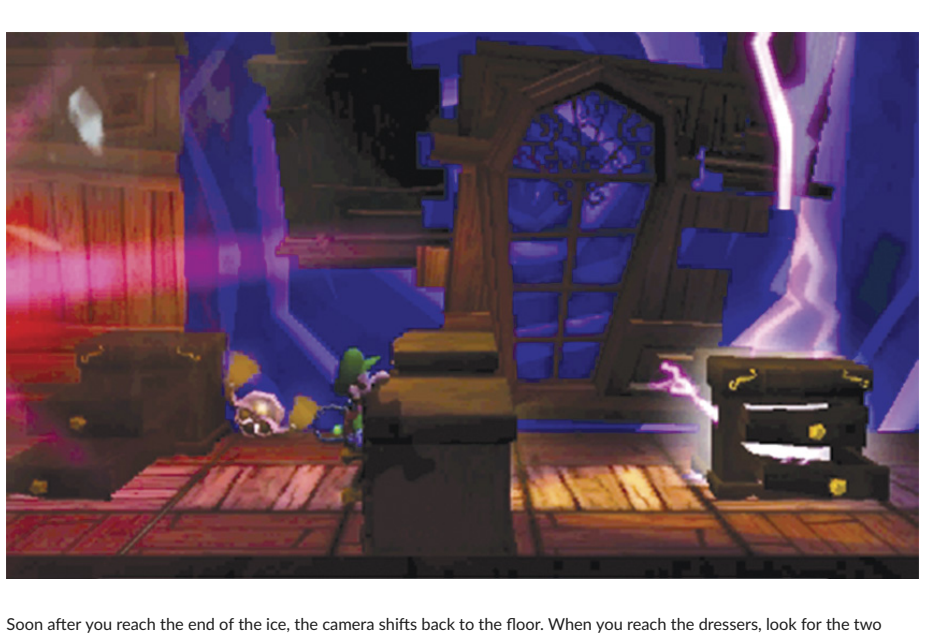
Stay in the middle path and watch for the three gold bricks that appear in the foreground. The gold glimmers in the darkness, so you shouldn't have any trouble spotting it. You have enough time to grab the treasure, but make sure you move to the background immediately after doing so. You must use the small gear near the wall to launch yourself over the nearby dressers. When you land, move to the foreground to use the next small gear.



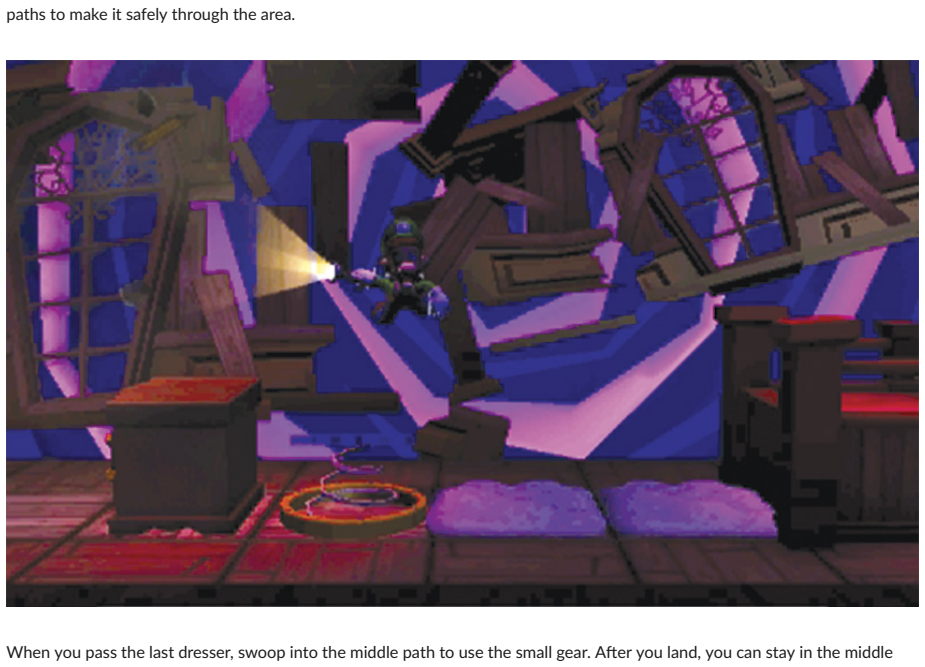
When you reach the ice, light returns to the hallway and the camera shifts to an overhead view. The floor is very slippery, so you must plan your route carefully. As you approach the stairs, move toward the bottom of the screen. Climb the stairs, then weave a path through the ice slabs. When you pass the last two ice slabs, slide up and use the stairs near the top of your screen. Continue to the end of the ice and slip between the wood columns.

Caution

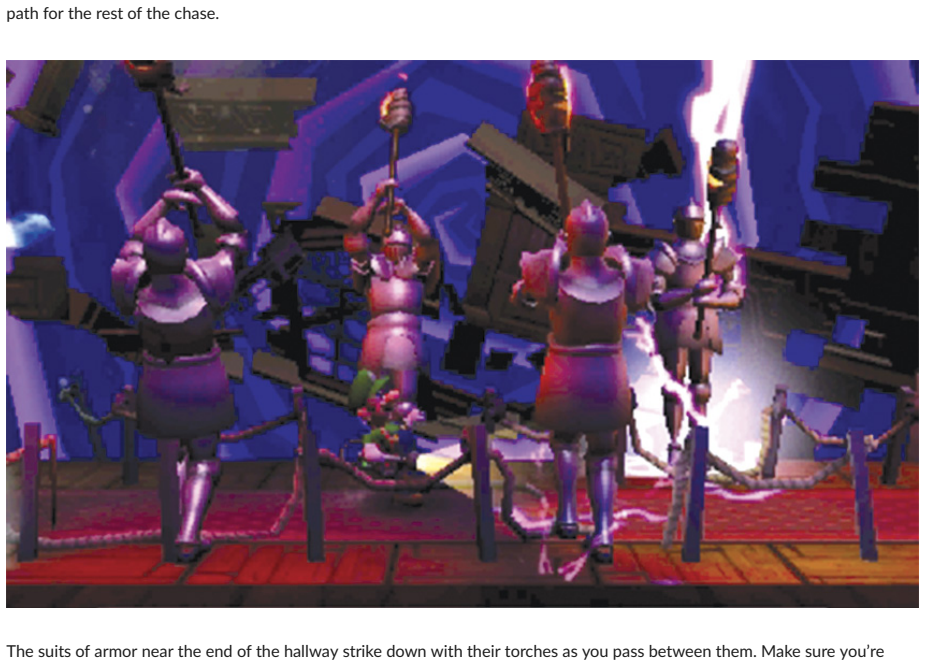
Ignore the gold brick in this area—it's almost impossible to avoid a collision if you attempt to collect this treasure.



Soon after you reach the end of the ice, the camera shifts back to the floor. When you reach the dressers, look for the two dressers facing the foreground. When the first such dresser extends its drawers, it blocks the background path and the middle path. The second such dresser extends its drawers to block the middle path and the foreground path. Weave along the open paths to make it safely through the area.

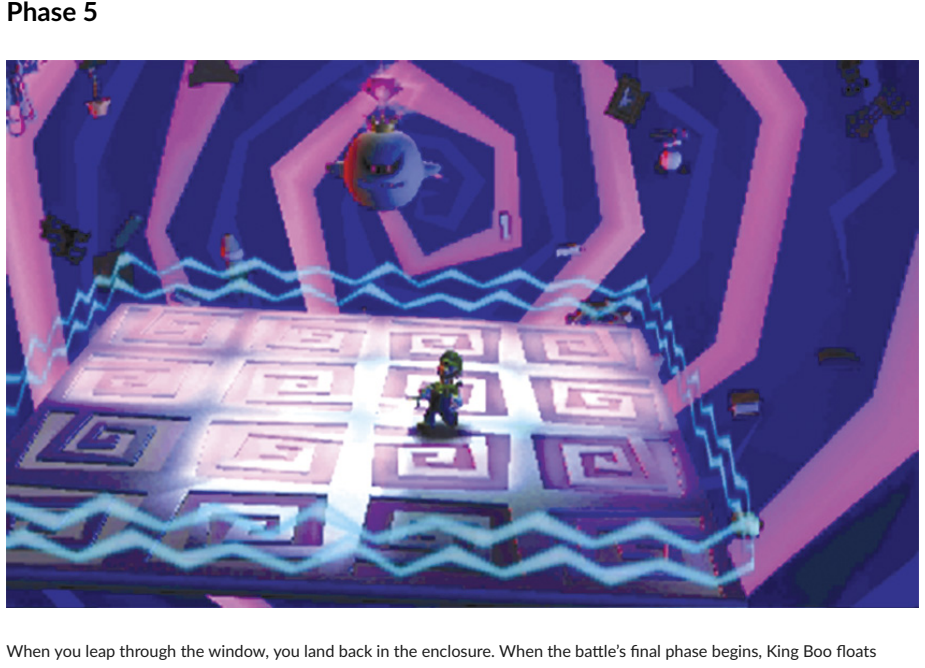


When you pass the last dresser, swoop into the middle path to use the small gear. After you land, you can stay in the middle path for the rest of the chase.

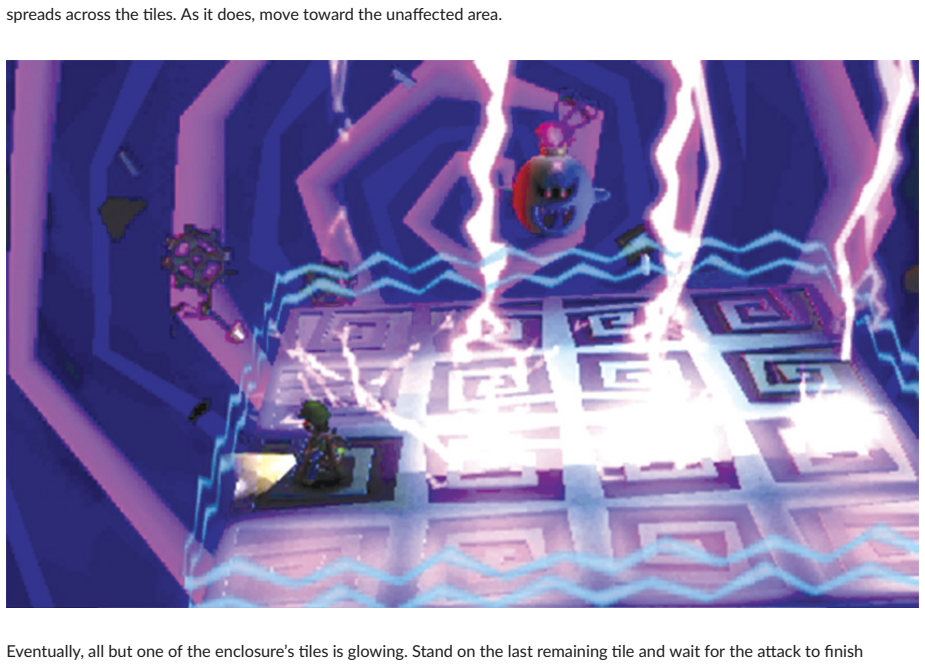


The suits of armor near the end of the hallway strike down with their torches as you pass between them. Make sure you're running at full speed to avoid getting hit. Grab the Hearts and treasure along the middle path, then use the small gear to launch yourself through the window.

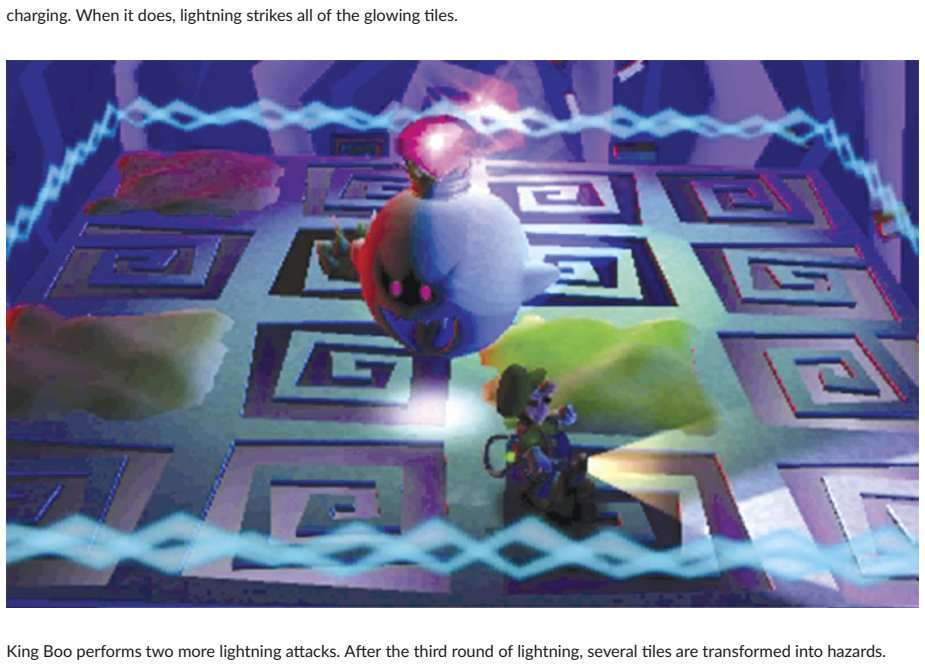
Phase 5



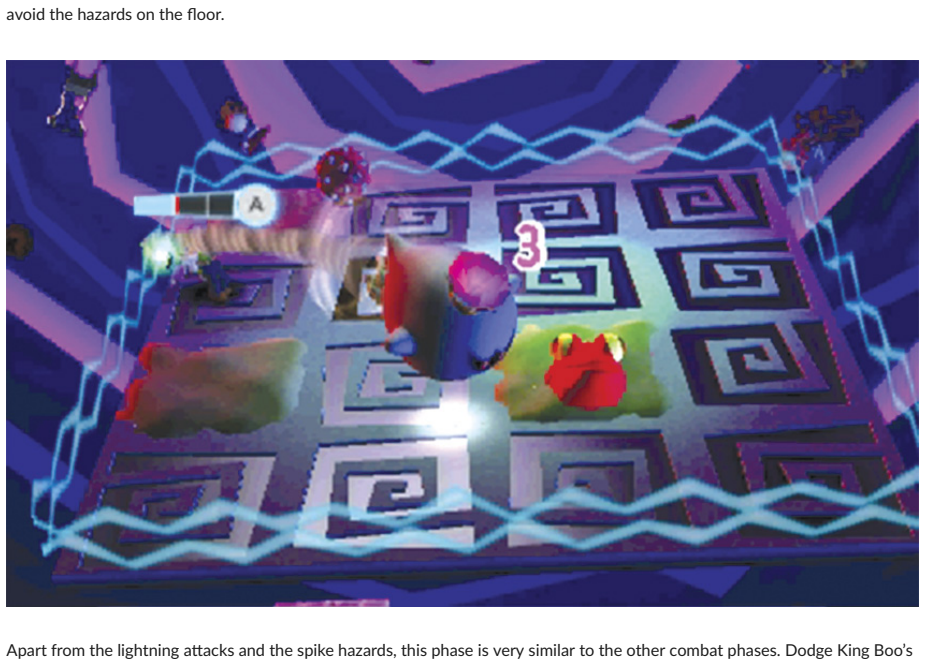
When you leap through the window, you land back in the enclosure. When the battle's final phase begins, King Boo floats outside of the enclosure and unleashes a powerful new attack. Stand at the center of the floor and watch as a purple glow spreads across the tiles. As it does, move toward the unaffected area.



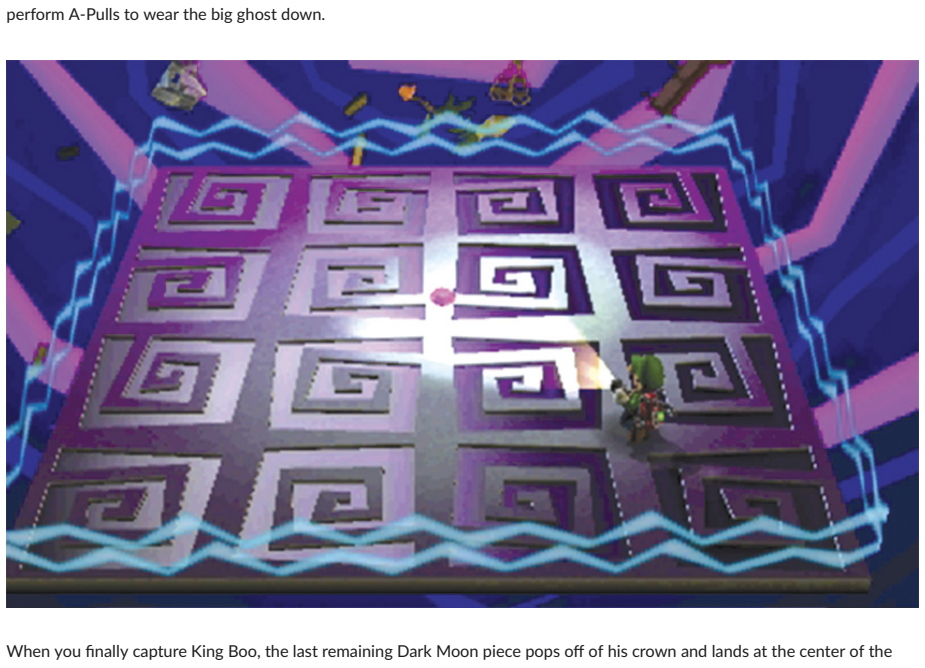
Eventually, all but one of the enclosure's tiles is glowing. Stand on the last remaining tile and wait for the attack to finish charging. When it does, lightning strikes all of the glowing tiles.



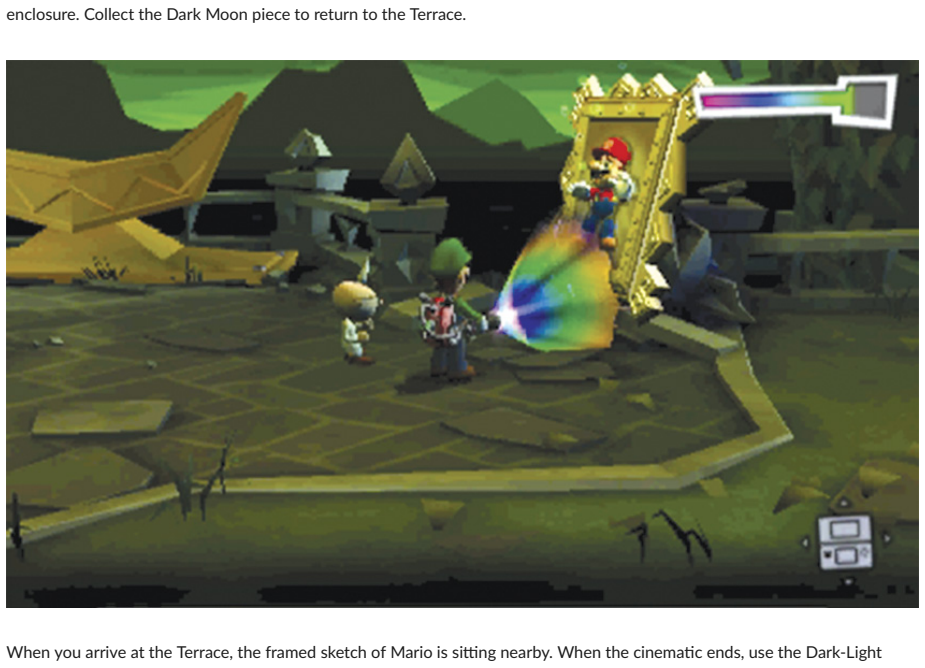
King Boo performs two more lightning attacks. After the third round of lightning, several tiles are transformed into hazards. Expect some combination of sand, ice, and deadly spikes. When King Boo enters the enclosure, dodge his lunging attacks and avoid the hazards on the floor.



Apart from the lightning attacks and the spike hazards, this phase is very similar to the other combat phases. Dodge King Boo's attacks until he slams into the floor, lure him under a shadow, and face him until a ball crashes down on him. Latch on and perform A-Pulls to wear the big ghost down.



When you finally capture King Boo, the last remaining Dark Moon piece pops off of his crown and lands at the center of the enclosure. Collect the Dark Moon piece to return to the Terrace.



When you arrive at the Terrace, the framed sketch of Mario is sitting nearby. When the cinematic ends, use the Dark-Light Device to free Mario, complete the mission, and trigger the game's ending cinematic.

Unfinished Business

Congratulations! You've completed the Dark Moon Quest! But that doesn't mean there's nothing left to accomplish. Revisit completed missions to earn 3-star ratings, track down uncollected Gems, and hunt down uncaptured Boos.